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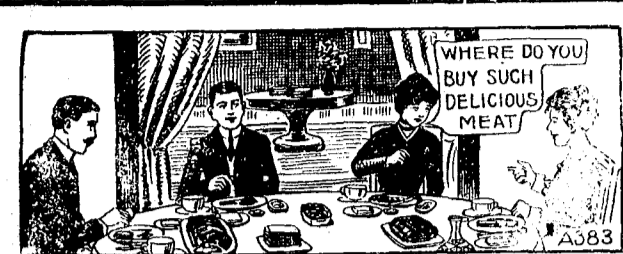
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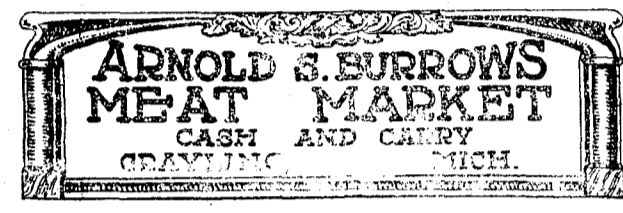
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**FREE METHODIST CHURCH.**  
Since the Flu has been lifted, our services at the Free Methodist church on the South side will be as usual.  
Sunday School—10 a. m.  
Preaching service—11 a. m.  
Young People's Meeting—6:30 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting—7:30 p. m.  
Friday night, March 5th is the commencing of our quarterly meeting and Town Hall. All qualified Electors of the District Elder J. W. Archer to be present, who will have charge of the services. God is helping us, and people are being converted to the Lord. If you want to hear the real old fashioned gospel that saves men and women from sin and gets them ready for heaven, we welcome you.  
Rev. R. Carpenter, Pastor.

#### VILLAGE ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that the annual Village Election will be held on Tuesday, March 8th, 1920, at the Town Hall. All qualified Electors of the District Elder J. W. Archer to be present, who will have charge of the services. God is helping us, and people are being converted to the Lord. If you want to hear the real old fashioned gospel that saves men and women from sin and gets them ready for heaven, we welcome you.  
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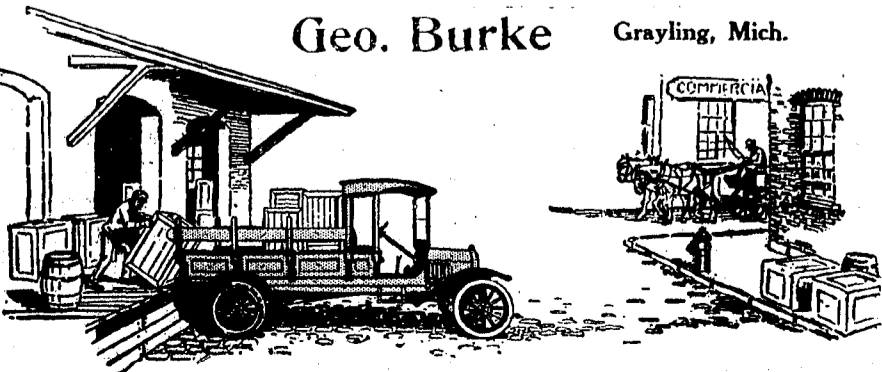
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Geo. Burke

Grayling, Mich.



## SCHOOL COLUMN

(Edited by X. Y. and Z.)

Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall.—Confucius.

The students of the school feel very sad over the untimely death of Mrs. Otterbein. Although Mrs. Otterbein taught only for a few weeks in High School, she has had charge of the Supply room all year and the students have learned to know and care for her.

Benton Jorgenson of Detroit visited school Monday morning for a short time.

Mrs. Hazel Congdon is the new High School teacher.

Miss Loss: "What ever has happened to my mountain pen?"  
Bright Freshie: "Must have had sympathy for the prohibitionist party and gone dry."

Soft o'er the School Room,  
Lingering dwell the teacher's eyes,  
Far o'er the school grounds,  
Rings that gong that we despise,  
In their dark eyes splendor  
Where their long looks love to dwell,  
Weary looks yet tender  
Speak their thought too well.

Teachers, oh,oo Teachers,  
Whom we love, yet criticize,  
Teachers, oh,oo Teachers,  
Be ye ever by our sides.

#### SOUTH SIDE SCHOOL NOTES.

##### Primary Room.

Heard in Language class:—  
There was a crooked man  
And he walked a crooked mile  
He found a crooked safety pin, etc.

Many of the children are still absent recovering from the effects of the measles and the "flu."

One new pupil entered the primary room this week.

Upon reopening school this week, the various sicknesses were discussed in the 2nd and 3rd grades:  
"Yes," said Billy LaGrow, "Charron's house had influenza and kamonia signs on it."

#### "You'd be Surprised."

Erna Horton, a third grader solved a very perplexing problem of removing several layers of coal dust from the ceilings for the South Side teachers. She suddenly bounced a rubber ball which hit the ceiling, making unique designs. The children find it great sport to remain after school to assist Erna.

John:—"Bounce the ball to me."  
Roy:—"No, let Erna bounce the ball, she puts holes in the wall."

#### STRAY DOGS.

(From Michigan Farmer)  
Can a farmer poison, trap, or shoot stray dogs roaming on his land? It is impossible to notify owners.—H. W. The statute of 1919 (No. 339) provides (Sec. 19): "Any dog that enters any field or enclosure outside of any incorporated city, unaccompanied by his owner or his owner's agent, shall constitute a private nuisance, and the owner or tenant of such field or other enclosure, or his agent or servant, may kill such dog while it is in the field or other enclosure without liability for such killing." J. R. R.

#### MCCULLOUGH, PETERSON AND NELSON TO RUN ON SLIPS.

Wednesday morning one of our citizens appeared at the Avalanche office with a list of names of persons that were to become candidates for Village offices and to "run on slips."

They are as follows:  
For president, Charles O. McCullough  
For clerk, Carl W. Peterson  
For trustee, Hans R. Nelson  
The latter is to be a candidate against Arthur McIntyre. Such is the arrangement as presented to this paper.

The Avalanche is requested to present the names in this issue, thus to give the people an opportunity to decide for themselves which candidate they prefer to vote for. The regular nominees appear elsewhere in this paper.

As it is rather unusual to oppose the candidates selected in the Citizens caucus we were further requested to state that many were kept away from attending the regular caucus because of reports given out that the caucus would not be held on account of the town being under quarantine and in that way many were kept away expecting that the caucus would be called later. It is believed by some that there was not a representative audience present and thus much dissatisfaction is claimed to be manifested.

This is likely to bring on a lively campaign as both George Olson and Charles O. McCullough candidates for village president have many friends, as have also Christ Jensen and Carl Peterson for clerk, and Arthur McIntyre and Hans Nelson for trustee. This should bring out a big vote and it is hoped that every voter in the Village, who can do so, will go to the polls election day—next Monday—and exercise their right of suffrage. Let the people decide.

#### VILLAGE TICKET.

For President.....George N. Olson  
For Clerk.....Christ Jensen  
For Treasurer.....Marius Hanson  
For Assessor.....James W. Sorenson  
Trustee, full term.....Joseph Burton  
Trustee, full term.....Arthur McIntyre  
Trustee, full term.....Charles A. Canfield  
Trustee—Vacancy.....Harry Simpson  
The Village election will be held Monday, March 8th at the Town Hall.

#### AN APPEAL BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT.

To the great World War army of the United States you gave full value of your loyal and personal interest and support. In every man of this army you felt that you had an individual interest. He was in every sense your representative.

Now to the new democratic peace-time army of your country you owe no less. As never before this new army is "of the people, for the people and by the people." In the new army you are already a share holder. Upon its maintenance at full strength may depend at any time the payment of your dividends of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. Its maintenance at full strength depends upon the personal strength which you give the plans for this new army, and the interest that you show in the men who compose its personnel.

So with your constant and loyal support and interest the men of your army guarantee the payment of your dividends. For this they serve.  
Hans Petersen,  
Village President.

#### THE CARE OF A CAR SHOULD BE A HABIT.

(By J. Schoonover.)  
"The care of an automobile is really no care at all if done in the right way," says Jess Schoonover local dealer in Chevrolet passenger and commercial cars.

"Motor car trouble usually results from putting off adjustments that should be regularly attended to. In most cases the cause can be traced to the carelessness of the owner and could easily have been prevented.  
"Proper care begins with the purchase. A car should be chosen that its weight is so nicely balanced that there is no undue strain on any vital part.

"The materials should be light but strong. Springs should have ample play to protect all mechanical units from shock of the road.

"Above all it is important that the motor has ample play to move any load that may be put in the body and to take it wherever necessary.

"Such a car as this is easy to take care of because hard use does not affect it.

"But even so it should have regular and intelligent attention from those who depend upon its service.

"Just as a horseback rider runs his eye and hand over his animal before he mounts, so the automobile driver should inspect his machine. A glance under the hood with the motor running, attention to any sound that is not in tune, a measurement of gas water and all and a test of wiring and even tires, should all become a habit.

"These are just a few high spots the careful owner takes into consideration. He always gives them attention at the start. Making sure that they are right in the beginning soon become second nature.

"The practice of a rapid inspection of the vital units costs nothing and saves all unnecessary annoyance and expense in the end."

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#### CARD OF THANKS.

I wish hereby to thank my friend for the flowers and kindnesses shown to my wife and me during our illness and during the death of my wife.  
M. Otterbein.

#### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our thanks to the boys of Kory & Hanson Flooring mill, also Mr. Skinner for their liberal donation during our misfortune. Mr. and Mrs. Truman Ingram

#### THE CHANCE THE NEW ARMY OFFERS TO YOU.

I am taking great interest in introducing my fellow countrymen, what this new army stands for. Its object with vocational training is more benefit for your future and for the country you may serve.

You think of the army as an instrument of war; and well you may; for the record of its men in France and Flanders will live as long as history is written.

But the army has tasks of peace no less heroic—tasks that mean a safer and a better world.

It is for those tasks that the army asks three years of the lives of America's best young men.

To those men the new army promises sturdy health, an asset for their business success in all the years to come.

It offers them opportunity for training in a useful trade; it gives them good food, good cloths and good care; it trains them to responsibility; it develops character and mind.

It promises them travel and the knowledge of other lands that will make them citizens of the world.

The United States army seeks no inferior applicants. It wants men of whom it can be proud during their enlistment and in all the years to come.

Men who will look back twenty, thirty or forty years from now and say, "those years were the most valuable of all my years of training."

"They gave me health and skill and the capacity for managing men. They gave me a chance to share in giant tasks."

"I am proud of the record of those years and of what they have meant in my success."

"Proud that I too, for a little while was a United States army man."

Look at the Canal at Panama, linking two great oceans and carrying the commerce of the world.

For a hundred years and more men dreamed of that Canal. De Lesseps had the dream and failed and the bones of men and wreck of machines remained to mark his failure.

It seemed a task almost impossible yet that task was done.

It was done by United States Army men.

Is there any question? I will try my best of ability to answer them. Any you may ask.

Pvt. 1st Class Harry Hovannesian,  
Army at Grayling, Michigan.  
On Recruiting duty for the U. S.

#### LENTEN SERVICES.

Services, which are held during each Lenten season at St. Mary's church, began last Sunday evening with Rosary, a sermon by Fr. Riess and benediction of the Blessed sacrament. These services are to be held on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock. On Sunday and Wednesday evenings, Rosary, sermon and benediction. The Way of the Cross and benediction. Rev. Fr. J. J. Riess has chosen a series of six very appropriate sermons which he will deliver this season, taking for his subject: "The Undying Tragedy of Calvary."

First sermon: "Judas and Disloyalty."

Second sermon: "The Sanhedrin and Duplicity."

Third sermon: "Pilate and Time-serving."

Fourth sermon: "Herod and Lust."

Fifth sermon: "The Soldiers and Cruelty."

Sixth sermon: "The People and Apostasy."

Everyone is invited to come and bring their friends to these services.

#### MRS. H. A. BAXTER.

At 9:30 Wednesday morning of last week Mrs. H. A. Baxter of this city passed away at her home on the South side from heart trouble. Mrs. Baxter had only been confined to her bed for the past two weeks, but had been ailing for about three years with this disease. She was a patient sufferer and cheerful at all times during her illness.

The funeral services were held last Thursday afternoon at the home, Rev. R. Carpenter officiating, and the remains were taken on the afternoon train for burial in Maple Forest.

Lavina Shoemaker was born near Jena, Indiana, August 7, 1856. December 23, 1874 at Argenta, Ill. she was united in marriage to Gregg Marshall, and to this union two sons were born, Robert Wesley of this place and Earl Melvin, who resides on a farm in Maple Forest. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall and family came to Grayling about twelve years ago from Central, Ill. Since that time they had resided on a farm in Maple Forest, and about eight years ago had charge of the Infirmary for the County for a term of one year. Mr. Marshall passed away November 9th, 1913 and Mrs. Marshall was again married this time to Ace Baxter, the date being Oct. 24, 1915.

The first of this year they purchased the home of the late Mrs. Elma Benson on the South side and came to Grayling to reside. Mrs. Baxter was a member of the Methodist church, which organization she joined when a little girl and had remained a member since.

Besides the husband and two sons, our grand-children survive the deceased. The family have a number of friends who join with them in their grief of the loss of the loving husband and mother.

#### DR. SPINNEY DEAD.

Dr. A. B. Spinney, well known throughout Michigan for many years as a traveling doctor and who during his later life located at Belding and Smyrna, operating a sanatorium in the only hotel at Smyrna until it burned, died Feb. 13 at his home atonia, where he had lived about a year. He was 84 years old. This probably takes one of the last of the old traveling doctors in this state. Dr. Spinney was a regular visitor to Grayling some years ago.



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#### REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

A Republican County convention of Crawford County will be held at the Court House in the Village of Grayling, on Wednesday the 21st day of April, 1920 at one o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing two delegates to attend the Republican State convention to be held in the city of Kalamazoo on May 5th, 1920.

The several Townships are entitled to the number of delegates as follows:

Grayling .....	7
Frederic .....	2
Maple Forest .....	1
Lovells .....	1
Beaver Creek .....	1
South Branch .....	1
Total .....	13

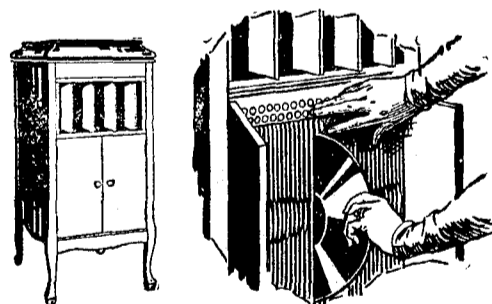
The respective chairmen of the several townships will please attend to the election of their delegates at their Township caucuses held before April Election, and report to the Secretary. Dated March 2d, 1920.

By order of the Republican County Committee.  
John J. Niederer, Secretary.  
M. A. Bates, Chairman.

#### JAMES GURNEY.

James Gurney, age 78 years, passed away last Saturday morning at the State hospital, Traverse City, after a lingering illness. Mr. Gurney was stricken with paralysis last fall and December 1st was taken to Traverse City State hospital for treatment.

He was born in England, but most of his life was spent in Bay City, for the past couple of years he had made his home in Grayling, among relatives. The remains were brought to Grayling Tuesday and taken to the home of his niece Mrs. Allen Cramer where yesterday afternoon funeral services were held. The remains were laid to rest in Elmwood cemetery. The deceased leaves to survive him, a sister Mrs. Elizabeth Lamont, who makes her home with her daughter Mrs. Cramer and one brother, Geo. Gurney also of this city. The old gentleman was of a jolly disposition and made friends wherever he went. William Lamont of Montpelier, Ohio, and Robert Lamont of Bay City came to Grayling to be in attendance at the funeral yesterday.



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## Wolverine News Brevities

**Lansing**—Michigan's fire loss during 1919 was more than \$13,500,000, according to a report of the commissioner of insurance.

**Traverse City**—The city commission is considering closing the city jail. It has been many months since there has been an arrest.

**Lansing**—Michigan is seventh in the total resources of state banking institutions of the nation, according to Frank E. Merrick, state banking commissioner.

**Manistee**—A committee has been appointed to discuss ways and means of preventing a house shortage here. All homes in the city are now filled. More workers are needed by new industries.

**Detroit**—While Benjamin Goodman, driver for the Sun Furniture company, was making deliveries in Orleans street near Catherine street a thief drove away with his wagon and rugs valued at \$1,200.

**Greenville**—Baron Tower, 51 years old, mayor, dropped dead in his office. Mr. Tower was born in Kent County, and had been engaged in the potato business in Greenville for 19 years. He was elected mayor of Greenville last April.

**MacKinnon City**—Scores of travelers were delayed as a result of the engine room crew of the car ferry Chief Wawatam going on strike when the boat arrived at St. Ignace. The men claim back pay was due them and refused to work until paid.

**Port Huron**—The body of Joseph West, a farmer, was found in the snow one mile east of Richmond. From marks on the body it is believed West was slain. West had sold raisins to foreigners near Richmond and four foreigners were arrested for operating whiskey stills.

**Kalamazoo**—Clarence Gooder was fatally burned when he accidentally slipped and fell into a vat of boiling alkaline liquid at the King Paper mill. When his clothing was removed at the hospital, great patches of skin and flesh clung to the garments, and in places bones were laid bare.

**Kalamazoo**—And now it's the high cost of being buried. Grave digging in Kalamazoo has been given a higher toll from the ultimate consumer's ultimate investment. By action of the city commission grave openers will be permitted to charge \$1 more a grave than they have been receiving.

**Traverse City**—Walking 13 miles through snowdrifts and along icy roads, William A. Peckham, 21, and his brother, James A. Peckham, 24, arrived in Traverse City from their home in Elk Rapids to join the fighting forces of Uncle Sam. They chose the coast artillery corps for service in Hawaii.

**Ann Arbor**—Miss Helen B. Eames, a freshman dental student from Muskegon, has set the University of Michigan record as a long distance sleeper, having completed 67 hours of uninterrupted slumber. She had been studying for the mid-year examinations and had worked to the point of exhaustion.

**Pontiac**—A bullet from a revolver in the hands of her mother passed through both limbs of two-year-old Violet Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scott. The revolver was kept in the house for the protection of Mrs. Scott in the absence of her husband and she was trying to extract the cartridges. The child will not be crippled.

**Holland**—Mrs. John Fraaijema, 70, who has visited the cemetery and read the inscription on her own tombstone for 15 years, has been buried beside the body of her first husband, O. Posthumus, former engraver of tombstones. Before his death, 12 years ago, he engraved two stones, one for his wife and one for himself, and set them up in the cemetery. She has since twice married.

**Muskegon**—The Miami Metal company of Chicago has been announced as the concern which will actively take up the installation in Muskegon of pig iron blast furnaces which will put out 500 tons of metal daily in this city for the use of all of the local foundries. As a by-product, the concern will manufacture 11,000,000 feet of gas a day and of this 5,000,000 feet will be used to operate the plant, leaving 6,000,000 feet to be offered to the city.

**Grand Rapids**—J. M. M. Joosten, the man who halted the Kaiser at the Holland frontier on that morning in the fall of 1918, when the war lord fled for safety, is in Grand Rapids to study business conditions preparatory to becoming European selling agent for the J. B. Ford company, Wyandotte. Joosten, who is 25, was a lieutenant in the Holland army and was stationed at the frontier, when he held up the emperor and his staff at Eysden, a village on the boundary line, until orders came.

**Paw Paw**—County Farm Agent W. C. Eckard could not have done it had there been such a thing as a hen labor union to restrict working hours. During the month of January he sold \$153.38 worth of eggs from his 160 Rhode Island whites. In doing so, he proved his theory that the reason hens don't lay in the winter time is because the day is so short. To lengthen it and get his hens busy producing eggs early in the day he turns on the electric lights in his poultry houses at 4 a. m., and "lights out" isn't sounded for Biddy until 7 p. m.

**Detroit**—Intention of the club to purchase a country estate of 870 acres surrounding Green lake, to be known as the Aviation Country Club of Detroit and to serve as social rendezvous as well as a home for the men who served in the flying corps of the American army and as a club for leaders in post-war advancement of aeronautics, was announced at a meeting of the Detroit Aviation Club in the Board of Commerce. The club is hopeful that it will be able to occupy the grounds early in April. The purchase price of the property is said to be \$750,000.

**Albion**—The Albion school board has established a minimum salary of \$1,000 for grade and \$1,200 for high school teachers.

**Saginaw**—It has been announced that the General Motors intend to spend an additional \$4,500,000 in the extension of the present Saginaw plants.

**Pontiac**—When he left a street-car and attempted to cross in back of it, Harry B. Sowers, 25, was instantly killed. His brother Clarence, narrowly escaped death.

**Republic**—The first fatal accident in five years at the Republic iron mine resulted in the death of Frank Johnson, who was caught under a fall of 500 pounds of rock.

**Iron Mountain**—Frank Foreck, 32, was killed while at work in the woods at the Von Patten Lumber company's camp at McGovern, when a tree fell and broke his back.

**Manistee**—On their third petition for a 15 per cent increase in salaries Manistee firemen were granted the raise. Policemen were also allowed a 15 per cent raise.

**Howell**—Mrs. Edward Papworth, 42, died of pneumonia. Mrs. Papworth's mother, Mrs. C. Abramson, while hastening to her daughter's bedside, fell on the ice and broke her hip.

**Scottville**—After fighting a score of years to secure a bonus and pension money due him and establishing his claim but three weeks ago, Moses Parker, 74, Civil war veteran, died.

**Marquette**—The new municipal hydro-electric plant, which has been under construction here for several months, has been practically completed at a cost of approximately \$175,000.

**Manistee**—Two new Manistee industries have just commenced operations. They are the Manistee Tanning company, capitalized at \$100,000, and the Manistee Drop Forge company, a \$300,000 concern.

**Ann Arbor**—Returning from the funeral of his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Rowe, Martin P. Newell, of Saline, died from apoplexy. The day previous he had also attended the funeral of his father-in-law, John Rowe.

**Lansing**—Wayne county will name 265 of the 1,348 delegates to be seated at the Republican state convention in Kalamazoo, May 5, on the basis of the apportionment fixed by executive officers of the state central committee.

**Algonac**—Alexander Lloyd Williams, 38, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Timothy Pouquette, St. Clair, of tuberculosis resulting from being gassed overseas. He served with the Canadian Expeditionary forces.

**Manistee**—George Pardee, many years a Great Lakes sailor and who walked across the ice a few weeks ago to reach shore on the imprisoned boat, Sidney O. Nell, which got Chicago, died here as a result of exposure.

**Bay City**—An increase of \$10 a month has been given all public school teachers. Bids submitted for the construction of a Central High School and two junior high schools are in excess of the million-dollar bond issue voted by the city.

**Port Huron**—Purl Hewitt, 17, is dead of injuries received when he was caught between a landing and an elevator cage at the plant of the Morton Salt company. He reached into the elevator, as it was descending, to take off the cap of the elevator operator in the spirit of fun.

**Muskegon**—Christ Larsen, of Muskegon Heights, killed himself with a revolver after he had been taken from his bed and propped up in a chair in order that he "might breathe better." Larsen had been ill with influenza for two weeks and had been despondent. He leaves a widow and three children.

**Mason**—An attempted jail delivery at night was frustrated by Hugh Silas, sheriff. As he looked up for the night, he was struck on the head with an iron bar by Edward Wood, but managed to overcome the prisoners, grabbed the bar and drove the men to their cells when help arrived. A crude steel key to unlock a rear door was found. It took 16 stitches to close the sheriff's wounds.

**Saginaw**—Following charges of Birch Run Township residents, through which most of the Saginaw County and of the Dixie Highway extends, that concrete had cracked a month after it had been laid, the committee will include other Saginaw highways in its investigation. This road is costing about \$30,000 a mile and laxity in the supervision of its construction is charged.

**Lansing**—Buying and selling of seeds and grain and selling of wool for the farmers of the state on a co-operation cost basis has been started by the Michigan State Farm bureau. The offer of the Michigan Crop Improvement association, founded by the Michigan Agricultural college, to turn over its business machinery as the nucleus of the new farm bureau seed and grain department has been accepted.

**Flint**—Robbery of express offices at Coleman, Mich., three years ago, is believed to have been cleared up by arrest here of Virgil Coffey and Lionel Lemay, who tried to dispose of diamonds at a local loan office at a "bargain" price. Suspecting the transaction, A. W. Butler, manager of the loan office, notified the police and the men fled. It was learned the gems had been buried by the thieves waiting for the theft to be forgotten. The express company had settled the claim and offered a reward for the recovery of the loot.

**Lansing**—Michigan's road program for this year includes construction of 1,350 miles of improved highways, Frank F. Rogers, state highway commissioner, announced at the annual meeting of the State Association of Supervisors. Contracts have already been let for building 367 miles of trunk line highway at a cost of \$4,500,000. Soon bids will be sought for construction of 350 miles of hard-surface roads, mostly concrete and brick; 150 miles of macadam, and 300 miles of gravel. Contracts for 236 miles of federal aid roads had been let.

## REVISED RAIL BILL PASSED BY HOUSE

MEASURE GUARANTEEING FIXED RETURN TO ROADS GIVEN BIG MAJORITY.

### UNION'S PROTEST UNHEEDED

Federation and Brotherhood Chiefs Fight Bill—Arbitration Clause Objected To.

**Washington**—The compromise Reeb-Cummins railroad bill was approved February 21, by the house which adopted the conference report after four hours of debate. The vote was 249 to 150—a clean margin of 99 votes.

During the debate, in which more than a score of representatives took part, Chairman Reeb declared that the railroads would be handed back to their owners on March 1, regardless of whether congress enacted legislation meanwhile, but he warned the house that defeat of the bill at this stage would put half the railroads of the country in the hands of receivers in three months.

Union labor, led by the officers of the American Federation of Labor and the railroad brotherhoods, made strenuous efforts to prevent Congress from passing the bill.

Besides the memorial prepared by representatives of 15 railroad unions and federation officers which was addressed to Congress as a whole, individual members of Congress have been deluged with letters and telegrams from union leaders generally protesting against enactment of the bill.

The opposition as shown in the memorial to Congress, declaring the reauthorized bill to be destructive of the employees' constitutional privileges and liberties, is based chiefly on the method proposed for handling wage and labor disputes.

The provision for a fixed financial return to holders of railroad securities also is attacked, the memorial holding that the provisions would constitute "an abandonment of Government for the common good, the establishment of Government for private interest, special privilege and class benefit."

Attacking the railroad bill section by section, the unions' memorial declares, first, that the railroad employees expect just treatment and the continuation of their "unalienable right to have an equal voice, representation and vote in any tribunal created by law or mutual agreement which is to establish the compensation we are to receive."

### PEARY, NOTED EXPLORER, DIES

Discoverer of North Pole Succumbs to Pernicious Anemia.

**Washington**—Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary died at his home here February 20, of pernicious and pernicious anemia. He was 64 years old.

Admiral Peary had been ill nearly two years. A few weeks ago he underwent an operation for blood transfusion, but this failed to relieve him. At 10 a. m., April 6, 1909, the Stars and Stripes were hoisted over the North Pole, terminating a race for that honor which has attracted the most learned and daring explorers of the world for 400 years.

The man who finally accomplished the feat which won for this country an honor equal only by the discoverer of America, was Robert Edwin Peary, then a commander in the United States Navy, and one of the foremost Arctic explorers of the world. The achievement was the climax of a career of 23 years of effort, of which period 12 years were actually spent in the Arctic region.

### LAW UPHOLDS NEGROES' RIGHTS

Cafe Manager Fined for Refusing to Serve Colored Patrons.

**Grand Rapids**—Verdicts of \$250 each have been awarded Rev. William N. Deberry, pastor of St. John's Congregational church, Springfield, Mass., Rev. Alex C. Gardner, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church, of Washington, D. C., and Rev. Charles Wesley Burton, pastor of the Lincoln Memorial Congregational church, of Chicago, against Robert E. Jones, former manager of the Livingstone cafeteria, in their action to determine the civil rights of Negroes in Michigan.

The pastors are Negroes and attended the national counsel of the church in Grand Rapids last October, when they claimed Jones refused to serve them in his cafeteria. He called an officer, after they asked permission to obtain a dinner in the restaurant.

**Army Seeking Emigrant Recruits.**  
**New York**—A detachment of five soldiers, all expert linguists, armed with Army literature printed in various foreign tongues, established a recruiting station at Ellis Island. The soldiers interview young immigrants arriving here, and point out advantages offered by Army life, coupled with the opportunity to gain American citizenship after three years. Soldiers of European armies will be particular objects of campaign, members of the detachment said.

**Mrs. Stokes Wants Seat in Congress.**  
**Chicago**—Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, brought here from New York to answer a charge of "advocating the overthrow of the United States government by force or other unlawful means" has announced her candidacy for congress. Mrs. Stokes, former socialist and now a member of the communist party, was indicted on January 23 with 166 other communists and radicals. She is at large on bond pending appeal from a ten-year sentence for obstructing the draft.

## PEARY, DISCOVERER OF NORTH POLE, IS DEAD



ROBERT E. PEARY

**Washington**—The death of Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary recalls vividly his brilliant achievement of being the first man to reach the North Pole. Peary started north for his final effort from Cape York in August, 1908, and reached his goal on April 6, 1909. This last effort was the final one of a series of eight such attempts, and Peary himself realized that it would have to be his last. He felt that he was too old for another such trip.

### MORE GRAND JURY NOTES READ

Large Sums of Money Figure in Testimony At Vote Fraud Trial.

**Grand Rapids**—Testimony of 10 of the Newberry respondents against themselves was produced in court through the medium of Claire H. Higbie, the grand juror whose notes on the grand jury session have been used frequently by the Government.

Mr. Higbie read from notes taken in the grand jury room. There was no objection by the defense, aside from an insistence that the record make note of the fact that the testimony was from notes.

The most startling statement was made by Dewitt Brown, a deputy game warden of Stephenson, Menominee County, who testified, according to Higbie, that he had been brought into the campaign by Roger M. Andrews, Menominee publisher, who gave him \$50 for expenses in arranging for a show and speeches, that he had been told by "Harris" that Andrews received \$30,000 from the Newberry Senatorial Committee for his work in the Upper Peninsula.

Henry A. Montgomery, divorcee proctor of Wayne County and manager of the Osborn campaign in Wayne County, testified that the defendant Milton Oakman, former county clerk of Wayne and manager of the Newberry campaign in Wayne County, told him that he would have to be with Newberry because he (Oakman) had been promised \$20,000.

### U. S. ON "DRAFT DODGER" HUNT

Thirty Thousand Michigan Men Classified As "Willful Deserters."

**New York**—Fifteen thousand draft dodgers living in Michigan are to be rounded up by the war department, military authorities here announced upon receipt from Secretary of War Baker of an order providing for the investigation of 173,911 men who are now classified as "willful deserters."

Originally 30,000 Michigan youths were reported as draft dodgers, but investigation, subsequent to the spring action of 1918, revealed the fact that many men who had failed to report to their different boards had previously volunteered and some were at the front fighting.

Since the armistice was signed the war department has investigated more than 400,000 cases of alleged draft dodging. This number of suspects has been reduced to 173,911, it now appears.

### STATE'S WAR TOLL 10,369 MEN

Of 130,000 Michigan Boys, 1 Out of 13 Are Listed As Casualties.

**Lansing**—Of Michigan's 130,000 soldiers in the world war, 10,369 or one in every thirteen are listed as casualties by the war department at Washington, according to a report just received by Col. John S. Bersey, adjutant general for Michigan.

Of these, 381 were officers and 9,988 dead, prisoners and wounded. These figures deal with the American expeditionary force, including casualties in northern Russia, but does not include the few in Siberia. Marines and sailors are not included.

**McAdoo Will Not Be Candidate.**  
**New York**—William Gibbs McAdoo has announced that he would not permit his name to be used on presidential primary ballots in the various states and that he advocated the sending of uninstructed delegates to the Democratic national convention. The former secretary of the treasury said he believed the highest constructive leadership can best be obtained if the national interest "is not submerged in a contest of individual candidacies."

**Americans in Turkey Protected.**  
**Washington**—All Americans at Marash, in Turkey, where there have been a number of disturbances, are safe, the State Department was informed in a dispatch from Constantinople. Mustafa Kemal Pasha, leader of the Turkish Nationalists in Asia Minor, has given orders that all Americans in that region must be respected and protected, according to a dispatch received from Ankara. The commander says Americans in Marash were respected during the recent fighting.

## UNUSUAL HAPPENINGS AND OTHER BRIEF NEWS

**American Cotton for Czechoslovakia.**  
**Prague**—Agreement has been reached between the Czech-Slovak government and a banking syndicate by which 20,000 bales of American cotton are to be purchased each month.

**Legion Asks \$50 a Month More Pay.**  
**Washington**—The American Legion will proceed aggressively with action for legislation to adjust war service compensation on the basis of \$50 for each month served, Franklin D'Olier, national commander, announced.

### Dry Law Cost Estimate \$50,000,000.

**Washington**—It is conservatively estimated that it may cost the government as much as \$50,000,000 to enforce national prohibition, Senator Warren, chairman of the senate appropriation committee, declared in the senate.

**Wife Married, "Dead" Yank Divorced.**  
**New York**—John C. Ries, an American soldier, who had been officially listed as killed and who later returned from overseas to find his wife had married again, was granted a decree of absolute divorce in the Brooklyn supreme court.

### Car Thrown On Platform Kills two.

**Shreveport, La.**—Two persons were killed and nine injured, three seriously, when a passenger train struck a freight car at Gibsland, 40 miles east of Shreveport, and hurled it up on the station platform where a number of persons were standing.

### Boom in Building Is Forecast.

**Chicago**—A great building boom, embodying a \$6,000,000,000 construction program, is to be launched this spring, it was announced by delegates to the Associated General Contractors' convention, it will continue for five years, and is expected to relieve the shortage of dwelling places now felt everywhere.

### Record Price for Building Lease.

**New York**—Recording of a 21-year lease on a six-story building in Fifth avenue, between Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets, revealed what real estate experts call a record price for a lease in New York—\$1,750 a foot. The building's frontage is 30 feet and the depth 100 feet. The total gross rental will be \$1,113,000, the lessees paying all taxes and charges.

### Hampshire Sow Sells For \$2,650.

**Nehawka, Neb.**—What are said to be the world's record prices for Hampshire bred sows were obtained here at a sale by Raymond S. Pollard, of this city. Forty-two head sold for \$21,985, an average of slightly more than \$523 as compared with the previous high of \$350. One sow brought \$2,650, a new top for this breed. Buyers from 28 states were present.

### Air Flivver to Cost Only \$2,500.

**New York**—An "aerial flivver" which can be parked in your backyard, make 75 miles an hour or loaf along at 22 miles an hour without falling, was proved successful in recent tests here. The tiny machine, a monoplane which weighs but 595 pounds, was given a tryout before a critical group of engineers and flyers and proved practical. It will sell for \$2,500.

### Round-up of Radicals Continues.

**Paterson, N. J.**—Twenty-nine radicals, said by secret service agents to include the most dangerous terrorists in the United States—members of the notorious L'Era Nuova group, whose creed is assassination and violence by individuals without waiting for "mass action"—were captured by 100 picked agents of the department of justice in a dramatic raid on "red" headquarters here.

### Villa Holds American For Ransom.

**Washington**—Francisco Villa, Mexican bandit leader, is holding Joseph E. Askew, an American, for payment of a ransom of \$20,000 by the United States, according to information furnished the state department. Villa, it is said, aided an American mining concern to get a large amount of silver bullion out of Mexico and he was to have received \$40,000 for his service. He was paid \$20,000 he claims.

### More Daylight Bill in House Again.

**Washington**—A daylight saving bill, an old friend of the house, has again fallen into the hopper. Introduced by Representative O'Connell, Democrat, of New York, it would put the clocks ahead one hour on the last Sunday in March and turn them back an hour the last Sunday in October. In view of the big vote by which the daylight saving law was repealed last year, Republican and Democratic leaders said there was no hope of its enactment.

### Ship Frozen in Ice Flee 8 Weeks.

**St. Johns, N. F.**—Jammed in an ice floe eight weeks, with 60 passengers and 106 of the crew on limited rations most of the time, the coastwise steamer Prospero arrived safely at Twillingate, N. F., last week. She was bound from St. John, N. B., to this port. A rescue steamer failed to reach her. The food shortage became so acute that sledges loaded with edible were sent over the ice to the ship's side. The breaking up of the ice floe released the Prospero.

### Dardanelles Taken From Turkey.

**London**—The internationalization of the Dardanelles, which was forecast, has been decided on definitely by the Allied Supreme Council. The details of the control of the waterway, however, have not been worked out. Among the big questions to be decided are the policing of the straits and who will furnish the necessary troops. Further than deciding that Constantinople is to remain under Turkish control, the council has not drawn the boundary line.

## SENATE TIGHTENS TREATY DEADLOCK

REPASSES RESERVATION GIVING U. S. RIGHT TO WITHDRAW AT WILL FROM LEAGUE.

### VOTE FOR ADOPTION, 45 TO 20

Outcome Foreboding Pact Will Be Made Issue in Presidential Campaign This Year.

**Washington**—The first of the reservations attached to the peace treaty last November has been re-adopted unchanged and by an increased majority in the senate, after the treaty's irreconcilable foes, holding the balance of power, had balked the efforts of Republican and Democratic leaders to secure modification in the interests of compromise.

The reservation on which the senate acted relates to withdrawal from membership in the league, providing that this nation shall be the sole judge whether its obligations have been fulfilled in case it desires to withdraw and that notice of withdrawal may be given with a concurrent resolution of congress.

The vote on its adoption was 45 to 20, 10 Democrats joining the solid Republican lineup supporting it.

The outcome, although involving the detection of four more democratic senators from the ranks of those who have stood against all reservations, generally was accepted by all elements in the senate as tightening the treaty deadlock and bringing the question of ratification one step nearer the political campaign.

Foreshadowing the outcome, most of the debate resolved about the treaty as a campaign issue and drew from conspicuous figures on the Republican side a volley of criticism of the utterances made on the subject by Elihu Root in his address before the New York Republicans.

Senator Johnson, of California, an active candidate for the party's presidential nomination, pronounced "utterly silly" the declaration of Mr. Root that the United States should enter the League of Nations with reservations and then move to reform it after a new president is inaugurated.

### U. P. STAGES A "DRY REBELLION"

State Officials Take Wine Seized By Federal Agents.

**Chicago**—A "rebellion against prohibition" has broken out in iron county, Michigan, and the county, led by its prosecuting attorney, is in "open revolt" against federal authority, according to a report to Washington from Major A. V. Dalrymple, federal prohibition director for the central states.

A prohibition agent and a party of Michigan state constables were held up by iron county officials and wine they had confiscated taken from them, according to word brought to Chicago by Leo J. Grove, of Marquette, supervising prohibition agent for the Upper Peninsula.

Major Dalrymple appealed to Attorney General Palmer to order warrants issued for the arrest of the prosecutor, two deputy sheriffs two police officers and three other residents of Iron River, a mining village.

### HELP IS URGED FOR STARVING

Hoover Says Millions Face Death Unless U. S. Comes to Rescue.

**New York**—The United States government is urged to permit the sale on credit of 10,000,000 barrels of flour now held by the Grain corporation to feed the millions of starving men, women and children in the cities of Poland, Austria, Hungary, Bohemia and Armenia, in an appeal issued here by the American Relief administration.

Thousands must slowly starve, the appeal added, if America, the Allies and neutrals continue to withhold their surplus food supplies from the famine-stricken countries.

### FOOD PRICES CONTINUE RISE

Advance of 120 Per Cent Recorded Since 1913.

**Washington**—The average family expenditure for food increased 2 per cent for the month ending January 15, according to statistics just made public at the labor department. This is an increase of 9 per cent over January, 1919, and 120 over January, 1913. Comparisons of retail prices paid for 44 articles of food, showed that 29 had advanced since December 15, while 11 had decreased and four were unchanged.

### American Wheat Exports Grow.

**Washington**—America's part in feeding the war stricken nations of Europe is shown in the reports of the department of commerce which put the total wheat exports from the United States in 1919 at over 36,000,000 bushels more than the 1918 shipments. During the past year the United States exported 148,088,470 bushels of wheat compared with 111,777,103 in 1918, according to the department's figures, representing an increase in value of over \$96,000,000.

### Pomerene Withdraws As Candidate.

**Washington**—Senator Pomerene, Democrat, of Ohio, has withdrawn from the contest for the Democratic presidential nomination. Necessity of devoting his entire attention to important legislation in the senate and the fact that under the Ohio state primary law a solid delegation would be impossible, which he said virtually would mean his defeat at the San Francisco convention, were given by the Ohio senator as his reasons for dropping out of the race.

## Latest Markets

### LIVE STOCK—DETROIT.

Best heavy steers, \$11@12; best heavy weight butchers steers, \$10@10.50; mixed steers and heifers, \$9@9.50; heavy light butchers, \$8.50@8.75; light butchers, \$7.75@8.25; best cows, \$8; butchers cows, \$7.

# The House of Whispers

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## UP TO DATE GHOSTS

Fiction readers who like haunted houses and mysterious noises in the night, and ghost doings that baffle explanation, should look, look, and read right here. For "The House of Whispers" is well named. It's even more fascinating than the old-time haunted house, because it's a mystery apartment in a big city building—the lovely heroine, for instance, can creep along a ledge from one window to another in the dead of night, and a wonderful pearl necklace can disappear from a wall-safe and find its way back again, and the superintendent and his employees can fasten a charge of murder on the hero, and there might be room in the walls for secret passageways. But there is nothing new-fashioned or queer about the loyalty and devotion of the heroine for her lover in trouble; it's the same glorious thing that has thrilled us all ever since true love ceased to run smooth. And of course she gets the reward that she deserves—and they live happily ever after.

## CHAPTER I.

With an exclamation of annoyance, I crumpled up the note from my great-uncle Rufus and flung it on the floor. My disappointment at its contents was the one thing needed to complete the utter misery of a wretched day.

Only that morning my roommates, Birge and Roller, fortunate fellows, had been informed that their applications for the ambulance service had been accepted. Our year of happy companionship had come to an abrupt end.

"Cheer up, old man," cried the optimistic Birge, "your luck will change some time."

"Right," said Roller, as he stooped to give a final tug to the straps of his new kit bag, "a chap as crazy about adventure as you are is bound to meet her soon."

"Stop it," I cried in desperation. "It's you two who are to have the great opportunity. Soon you'll be seeing shrapnel burst, airplanes battling, regiments charging, heroes dying, and I—I'll be sitting here alone in a hall-room, eating my heart out with loneliness and envy, spending my days at an unbecoming desk, and my nights, God knows how, after you fellows have gone."

"You never can tell," chirped old Birge, "all kinds of strange things happen right here in New York. You may be the one that has had a bellyful of adventure before we return—if we do."

His last three words gave us all a sobering thought. There was a chance, more than a chance, that never again on this earth would we three be together again. Eight of our college mates had preceded Birge and Roller to the great battlefield. Already three of them lay in hero graves somewhere under the hills of France.

The silence of a sad parting fell on us. The taxicab came and we drove together to the pier with hardly a word spoken.

As we shook hands at the gangplank old Roller spoke again, a glint of tears in his eye, something almost prophetic in his voice.

"Nelson," he said, "I feel it in my bones that something is going to happen to you soon, something thrilling."

"I wish to God something would," I answered bitterly.

Disconsolately I waved them a last adieu from the dock. In a black mood I railed against the fate that had left me behind, poignantly lamenting the lack of the eight hundred dollars that would have set me free to accompany them.

Two letters, thrust under the door in lodging-house fashion, awaited my homecoming. One of them I recognized at once as my mother's weekly billet of good advice, and tossed aside to be read when I was in a better frame of mind. The other was in a cramped, unfamiliar handwriting. As I studied the envelope curiously a suspicion as to the writer's identity flashed into my mind and eagerly I tore it open. My great-uncle, Rufus Gaston, was an old, old man. It must be from him. What could he be writing to me about? Rufus Gaston was rich—worth many millions.

It was merely an invitation to dine with him and his wife. Disgustedly I flung it aside. It capped the climax of my dissatisfaction with everything. Here were my two chums starting off to the war, and here was I, Spalding Nelson, twenty-six, strong in physique, save for a "football knee" that had barred me from military service, thirsting for excitement, left behind in the prosaic business world and now bid- den to an uninteresting meal with two decrepit old relatives. I made up my mind to answer the note. My great-

uncle Rufus could go hang, for all of his millions. I would not go near him.

The sight of my mother's letter lying unopened on my desk served to recall to me that it was she who had prevented my going. Poor mother! She and I had been at cross-purposes ever since my father's death while I was a youngster. It seemed to me that always she had opposed everything I wanted to do. After I left college she had found a place for me in the office of one of my father's friends in the little western city where our home was. I had been two years getting away to join Birge and Roller in New York. Most of all she had set herself against my going to France. She did not believe in war. I was the only man left in the family. She was far from well. If anything should happen to her, my young sisters had only me to look to. When these pleas had failed to move me she had not hesitated to remind me that I was in her debt.

Unfortunately this was true. My years at college had cost me more than my small patrimony. I had borrowed freely from her, expecting soon to be able to repay her. Like all young graduates I had vastly overestimated my earning capacity. Three years had elapsed and I still owed her eight hundred dollars.

"I do not see," she had written me, "how you can honorably feel free to go while you are in my debt. To furnish you funds at college your mother and sisters practiced many economies. The girls are now reaching an age when their expenses will be much greater. I need the money for them. The least you can do is to pay it back before you give up your position and go off on wild-goose chases."

For this argument I could find no answer. My obligation to her was a debt of honor that must be paid before I could be my own master. Each week I had been putting away five dollars, and as it accumulated had been sending her a money order.

While I was debating what to do I began to read my mother's latest letter. The first part of it repeated her many arguments. She wrote:

"Two days ago I received a letter from my father's brother, Rufus Gaston, upon whom you called when you first went to New York. He asked about you and made me a proposition concerning you. I did not venture to give him an answer. Your views and mine are so seldom in accord. I gave him your address and suggested that he write to you himself. Probably he has done so by this time."

Hastily I resumed my great-uncle's crumpled note from the floor and smoothed it out. If Rufus Gaston— with his millions and no direct heir— had made a proposition concerning me, his letter took on a vastly more interesting complexion. Carefully I reread it, seeking for some hidden meaning between the lines, but it gave no clue to what he had in mind. He merely expressed the hope that I would be able to dine with him and his wife informally next Thursday evening.

What could it mean? It was at least well worth looking into. Mr. Gaston was seventy-four. He had made a fortune in the South American trade, retiring at sixty-five. There was only himself and his wife. On the Gaston side, through my mother, my sisters and I were the only blood relations. I wondered if it could be that old Rufus was thinking of making me his heir—his heir to the Gaston millions?

As I penned a cordial acceptance of his dinner invitation I determined to set myself to pleasing the old couple, whom I had met only once, on the occasion of my call. A few years ago I would have despised the thought of entering to wealth, but since I had discovered how difficult it was to earn money and how much more difficult to save it, my views had changed.

I could hardly wait for the day he had set for me to dine with them to arrive. I found myself approaching their residence fully three-quarters of an hour before the time named. When I discovered how early I was I decided to letter in the park for a few minutes. Old Rufus recently had given up his Avenue residence and now lived in one of those stately apartment buildings erected in the East Eighties.

I turned into Central park opposite my great-uncle's street and dropped into the first bench I came to, depositing beside me a bunch of roses I had purchased as my first move toward winning my great-uncle's affections. Lighting my pipe I gave myself up to pleasant reveries from which I was aroused by finding my roses tossed suddenly to the ground at my feet.

"Pardon me," I said indignantly, "but those belong to me."

"Benches ain't for bunches," croaked an evil voice beside me.

Recovering my flowers, I turned to find seated beside me a rat-eyed young fellow, cheaply dressed, eyeing me with an insolent stare. As I looked at him he began crowding over toward me. Plainly it was his intention to oust me from the bench.

"There's plenty of room on those other benches over there," I suggested resentfully.

"Beat it yourself if you don't like it here," he retorted, blowing the smoke from a cheap cigarette in my face. "I got a date here, and I'm going to stay, see?"

I answered with an angry retort and hot words followed. We had almost come to blows when the bushes opposite us suddenly parted. I caught sight for just a second of a villainous face, that of a man about forty, an unforgettable face with a red scar across the left cheek. He raised one finger in an imperative gesture, signaling to my unwelcome companion on the bench. With a profane exclamation of dismay the rat-eyed fellow

sprang up and walked hastily away along the park path. Wondering what it was all about, I watched him out of sight around a turning of the asphalt and then glanced toward the apartment house where in a few minutes I was to be a guest.

As I looked a young girl came out of the house and walked slowly toward the park. At the corner she hesitated. She seemed to be debating whether to continue on down the avenue or to turn into the park. Apparently the lure of the greenery won her, for she came on slowly toward where I was sitting. As she drew nearer I observed her with interest, for she was one of the prettiest girls I ever had seen. Her slim figure, her dainty ankles, her carriage, everything about her suggested the patrician. Her face, rosy and youthful, was set off by a jaunty feathered toque, from under which a pair of soft, black, roguish eyes, shaded by long lashes, looked out above a dainty nose, just a bit tilted, on either side of which a fugitive dimple played.

To my great amazement she walked right up to me and stopped short. I observed then that she seemed to be greatly agitated. Involuntarily I sprang to my feet and removed my hat, feeling certain that she had mistaken me for someone else.

She looked straight at me with an odd lightening of the lips. Into her great dark eyes came a look in which pride and fear seemed to mingle with utter loathing.

"I am here," she said.

In my confusion I mumbled something, I hardly knew what. She looked me up and down with a puzzled air and raised her hand to a red carnation she was wearing.

"You were to wear one, too," she said.

"I don't understand," I answered.

"Didn't you," she asked hesitatingly, "didn't you come here about the papers?"

"What papers?"

"You know—"

"I don't know," I replied. "I know nothing about any papers. You must have mistaken me for someone else."

"But this was the place—this bench—the first bench?"

"I sat down here quite by accident."

"Oh!" she exclaimed with a sigh of relief. "And you're not wearing a red carnation, either?"

I recalled then with misgiving that the ill-favored youth who just a moment ago had disputed the bench with me had been wearing a red carnation, and that he had uttered something about having a date. Yet it did not seem possible that a girl of this sort



"You were to wear one, too."

would be having a rendezvous with a scamp like him. I determined if possible to ascertain the girl's mission.

"I am merely waiting here," I hastened to explain. "Until it is time for me to keep a dinner engagement with some relatives in the apartment house from which you came."

As I spoke I noticed that the fear and loathing had vanished from her eyes and that she was looking with relief at a little college pin I was wearing. She was blushing now from confusion at her mistake, and the rising red in her cheeks added greatly to her exquisite loveliness.

"I was to meet someone here," she faltered; "you quite understand, don't you?"

"I understand perfectly," I answered, and recalling the scar-faced man who had been lurking in the bushes, I hurried on to say, "but if I can be of any service—"

"No, no," she sobbed, apparently overwhelmed by whatever it was that was besetting her. "It's nothing—nothing anyone can help."

"Tell me about the man you were to meet here."

"Who are you?" she demanded, her suspicion suddenly rising at my question. "You're not a detective?"

"Far from it," I answered amusedly. "I'm just plain Spalding Nelson, on my way to dine with my great-uncle Rufus Gaston."

"Oh!" she said, relieved, "their apartment is on the same floor as ours."

"Tell me about the man you were to meet," I insisted. "I may have seen him."

"Did you? What was he like?" she demanded eagerly.

"Don't you know him?" I countered. "No, I never saw him. I don't even know who he is. I only know that there was to be a man waiting here on this bench this evening. We were both to wear red carnations. I was to come here alone, to see him and to get the—"

She stopped abruptly and tearing off the flower she was wearing,

trampled it viciously under her foot. "Not so loud," I warned her, fearful lest they might still be lurking about and overhear us. "There were two of them."

"Two," she whispered, turning pale. "Yes, one waiting here on this bench, and the other, a villainous scar-faced fellow, hiding in the bushes yonder."

"I dare not go on with it," she sobbed. "I dare not! I dare not! Oh, what shall I do?"

"The thing to do now," I replied, "is for you to let me accompany you back to your home. They will make no further attempt to meet you this evening, since my presence has spoiled their plans. Come, let me escort you. Miss—"

As I hesitated over the name she answered simply:

"Bradford—Barbara Bradford."

She pondered for a moment over my suggestion and then turned to walk with me toward the apartment house.

"What were the men like?" she asked.

I described them as best I could, though really the impression that the youth on the bench had left was vague. His voice, an insolent, hoarse, uncultivated one, was almost all I could recall about him.

"I wonder who they were? I wonder how they knew?"

"Knew what?"

"I can't tell you. I dare not. It isn't my secret."

By this time we had reached her home and the bowing doorman was swinging back the great iron door for us. It had been my intention to announce my arrival, but recalling that Miss Bradford had said that the Gaston apartment was on the same floor as hers, I stepped with her into the elevator. When it had descended, leaving us together in the corridor, she turned to me and offered her hand.

"Thank you so much, Mr. Nelson."

"I wish you'd let me help you," I cried.

She shook her head.

"Well, promise me one thing," I insisted.

"What is it?"

"That you never again will go alone to the park to meet those men."

A tremor shook her body, and once more a look of terror crept into her eyes.

"I can't promise that. I must meet them. I must! I must!"

I reached out and took her hand. "Promise me, then, that before you go again you will let me know."

"You must not try to stop my going," she cried desperately and freeing her hand turned quickly and unlocked her door left me standing there alone, staring after her.

Perplexed beyond measure as to what I ought to do, after a moment I pressed the bell and was admitted to the Gaston apartment and to the presence of my aged relatives.

Under the same roof with the heroine.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

MYTHS OF SEA "MONSTERS"

Remarkable Denizens of the Deep Said to Be Merely Creatures of the Imagination.

The appearance of wandering herds of sea lions along the shores of southern California reminds of the perennial stories about monsters of the deep. Some scientists have believed the rare specimens of "oar fish," which sometimes reach the surface, might be mistaken for sea monsters. Some of these fish are twenty feet long. Unfortunately, they are so adapted to lives at great depths they cannot live at the surface. Records show that two have been washed upon California beaches.

Many stories of sea monsters are the fruits of some excitable person's imagination. There are many things about the sea which might readily start such an imagination working. The sea is so large, and hides so many secrets, that such a person might readily believe that, if anyone objected to his story, he could say the monster disappeared. Then who could prove he had not seen it?

Various people have had traditional myths and legends about sea monsters and those probably have helped in keeping general interest in such stories now. The Norse tales are the most numerous and vivid.

Opportunity Everywhere.

The limits of what a man may grow into are found in himself. Men are so busy talking about their rights that they fail to see what is their opportunity. Men have risen to power because they have made brain and brawn work together. The world has rewarded them for it. When confidence is placed in a man the world gives him unlimited opportunity. It is then he must grow into a larger sphere or stay among the men of lost vision. If some people would cease trying to regulate the world and take a hand in regulating their own discontent there would be decided progress. Success after all is a matter of growing out of the old and into the new with ever increased development and power.

Reached Its Destination.

A little boy was given a penny to give to the Lord at church. He returned home to report that not seeing God around he gave his penny to the man with a plate.

## MODERN DESIGN FOR DAIRY BARN

Arrangement Will Conveniently House 24 Animals.

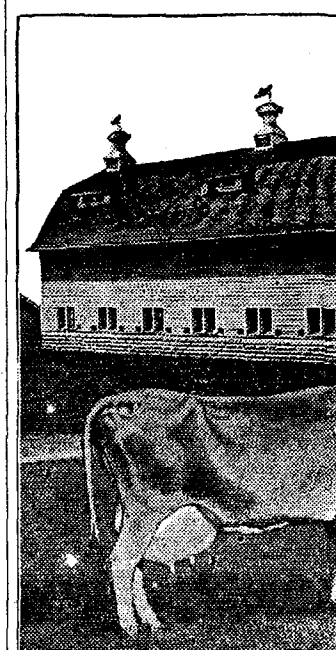
PLANNED TO SAVE LABOR

Winter Home for Dairy Herd and Storage for Their Feed Keeps the Cows Healthy and Production High.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.  
Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building work on the farm, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 127 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only inclose two-cent stamp for reply.

Dairy barns that are being built on up-to-date farms are a great deal more than shelters for the animals and a place in which to store their winter's supply of hay and other forage. They are modern farm factories for the efficient and economical production of food.

The dairy industry has made some rapid advances during the last few



years. It no longer is a "side line" on the farm, but a profitable and important part of the farm work. And well it may be, for the prices now secured by the farmer for milk and butter and the by-products, such as cheese, make it well worth while to conduct this part of the farm activities in an economical, efficient and extensive manner.

The first requisite for the economical conduct of the dairy business is a weather-tight, modernly equipped barn. Cows spend more than half the year indoors, and it is during the time they are in the stable that the best prices are secured for their products. The greater the production at this time, the greater profits the herd will show at the end of the year.

Illustrated in connection with this ar-

tle is one type of the modern dairy barn. This is a plank frame structure, 30 by 60 feet, with the cow stable in the basement. The grade entrance leads to the first floor, which is used for the storage of farm vehicles and machinery, and above is the mow for the storage of hay and other forage.

This barn is constructed so that it will be weather-tight. The cows will be kept warm and comfortable during the coldest of weather, and, at the same time, will be supplied with plenty of fresh air, and the stable will be clean and sanitary. Three suction ventilators are located on the roof of the barn. These ventilators are connected with foul-air flues, and draw the impure air out of the stable and allow it to be replaced by fresh air.

The floor plan that accompanies the

labor cost is decreased.

All of the advantages named make a modern dairy barn a profitable investment. And the sooner the barn is built, the sooner the extra profits will be reaped by the owners of dairy herds.

Problem for Inventors.

How can the captain of a dirigible balloon know his altitude? Is a problem that Cave Brown-Cave put to the British association for solution recently. The barometer is generally used, but as it registers the general level air pressure and not the point of departure, and as the balloon is moving at 60 or 70 miles an hour, it may be quite wrong after being up for a short time. A captain recently thought he was fully 800 feet up when actually he was almost touching the water.

Leaving Under a Handicap.

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World's Diamonds Were Gathered.

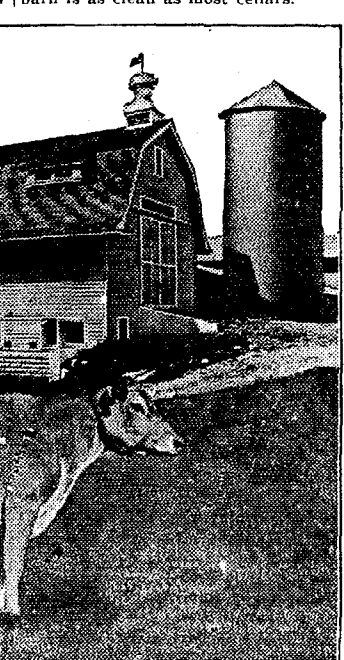
If all the diamonds mined in history and existing today as cut and polished stones were gathered together, they would weigh 46,355,474 carats and the gems would weigh 104 tons. If the pile were in the form of a cone it would have a base diameter of 8 feet and a height of 5 feet. Reckoning the diamonds at \$300 a carat, it would have a value of \$13,900,402,200. It would contain 710 1/2 gallons of diamonds, worth \$5,539,023 a gallon; or 70 1/3 bushels, valued at \$51,570,729 a bushel. All the world's diamonds could be packed in an ordinary clothes closet or a kitchen pantry.

exterior view of the barn, shows how the stable is equipped so that the work of caring for the herd can be done quickly and with less labor. The stalls are ranged along the sides of the barn, with the cows facing in. Each of the 24 stalls is divided by a steel stall partition, while at the manger head there is a continuous concrete manger, also separated by steel partitions. At every other stall head there is an automatic drinking bowl that supplies two animals with a continuous supply of fresh, running water.

Those are the three requisites that make cows productive—fresh air, plenty of fresh water and good feed. The latter is supplied in part by the silo shown at one corner of the barn. This silo has a capacity ample to keep the cows in fresh, green ensilage throughout the winter. Fresh water, fresh air, good feed and comfort go a long way toward increasing the dairy farm profits.

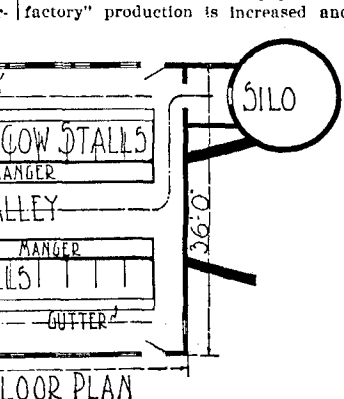
Labor has been and will continue to be a large item of farm expense. Wages are high and men hard to get. But in the modern dairy barn a great deal of labor is saved by its equipment.

The floor of this barn is of concrete, with gutters at the rear of the stalls. These gutters collect the manure, from which it is forked to the carrier that runs on the overhead track, shown on the plan by dot-and-dash lines. The carrier is a great barn labor-saver. It not only removes the litter to the manure pile or shed at the back of the barn, but conveys the feed and forage to the stalls. After the litter is removed the gutters are flushed and the barn is as clean as most cellars.



Plenty of windows to admit sunshine are also shown in this plan. Sunshine is valuable in the dairy stable, not only for its warmth but also for its germ-killing quality. The windows allow the sunshine to strike the litter alleys and go a great way toward keeping the stable free from disease germs.

This is a modern home for cows—one that keeps them comfortable and productive. A cold cow is an uncomfortable cow, and most of the feed she consumes in a barn that is not weather-tight goes to supply warmth for her body, rather than to the production of milk. Fresh water, it has been proved by test, increases the flow of milk as much as 10 per cent. By combining these features in the dairy products factory" production is increased and



FLOOR PLAN

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 4.

**SLATS' DIARY.**

Friday—Teacher was grouchy today she said she had told me all she knewed & I was still as ignorant as a elephant. Done a Kind ack for a old lady wich takes in washings & pitcher shows. carried her basket up a hill. & she Give me a nikkel. It all ways pays 2 be kind.

Saturday—A tuth was acheing wich wassent the same I I had pulled. Pa tuk me down 2 the dentists shop & got me a new pare of shoes 2 ware.

Sunday—after sunday skool pa & ma had a nother Fuss. Pa sed he

was going 2 rite 2 a expert on famly trees so as 2 git his pedigree rote down on paper. Ma sed she thought his famly tree was full of nuts & Lemmons then they was a lot of trubel. Et a cold dinner. & pa did 2.

Monday—feeling Rotten. Dont no whether it is the flew or Im in love ma telephoned the dr. Jake bought sum birdseed with a nikkel & put it under a old hen he sed she wood hatch out. If they stayed under her long enuff.

Tuesday—Ast pa why did they give dieing peepul a swaller of wiskey & pa sed it was 2 leewe a good taste in there mouths.

Wednesday—met the new minister of the church & he ast me where was the post ofis & I told him & he sed for me 2 cum to his church & he wood show me the way 2 get 2 hevvin. Ges that's a pritty good bargen.

Thursday—Pa entered on his eighth bottel of spring Blood tonic. teacher ast Jake wot was the mane products of Indy & he sed they was coffy & she sed wot 2 kinds of coffy do we Get from their & Jake sed we got strong coffy & Week coffy fro Indy. pa & me tuk a walk & saw a wummin with her dress wich reeched 2 her shoe tops. Pritty neer. Sum girl.

**CAN I GET A HALF-PAGE FOR THIS ISSUE?**

DO SOME FOLKS BRING IN COPY FOR THE PAPER AT THE LAST MINUTE?

**U. S. INCOME TAX EXEMPTS NOBODY**

Every Person Who Had Income in 1919 Must Determine Own Liability

MARCH 15 LAST FILING DATE.

Surest Way is to Follow Form 1040A. Free Advice in Doubtful Cases. Severe Penalties in Law.

Nobody is exempt from Income Tax. An obligation is laid directly on the shoulders of each citizen and resident to consider his own case and to get his return in on time if one is due.

With each return showing a tax due a payment must accompany the return in the full amount of the tax or at least one-quarter of the tax.

All returns for 1919 must be filed on or before March 15.

Must Show True Figures. In figuring up his earnings for income tax purposes a person must take into consideration all items of taxable income, and each item itself must be accurate in amount. Guesses and estimates must be avoided, for the return is made under oath.

Everybody who had an income during 1919 must now determine whether his or her net income was sufficient in amount to require an Income Tax return. The best way to find out is to get a Form 1040A and follow the instructions printed on it. That form will serve as a reminder of every item of income; and if a return is due, it tells how to prepare and file it.

One of the important points to keep in mind is that a person's net income is found by a computation prescribed in the law, and that each item of income from every source must be considered, unless specifically exempted.

Another thing to remember is that the personal exemption allowed taxpayers by law has no relation whatever to the requirement to file return. This exemption is not to be considered until a person has figured out his net income and determined whether it is sufficient to require him to file a return. Then, if a return must be filed, he should read carefully the instructions for claiming exemption, and complete his return.

If in doubt on any point as to income or deductions, a person may secure free advice and aid from the nearest Internal Revenue office. Many banks and trust companies are also furnishing similar service during banking hours.

**Heavy Penalties in Law.**

For failing to make a return on time the penalty is a fine of not more than \$1,000 and an addition of 25 per cent to the tax, if any. For making a false or fraudulent return the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both; and, in addition, 50 per cent of the tax. There are other penalties for failing to pay tax when due, and for understatement of the tax through negligence.

**Many Sources of Income.**

Aside from what one may earn by his services, there are many other sources of income. If he sold any property during 1919 he must figure out the gain realized. If he rented buildings, land, apartments or rooms, such rents must be considered taxable, and he may claim deductions for necessary expenses incidental to rents. Bank interest is a common source of income and is taxable whether withdrawn or not. Any amount of interest credited to a depositor is income to the depositor.

Interest on mortgages and notes is taxable; also bond interest received from corporations.

A taxpayer who cashed his insurance during 1919 must report as income any excess received over the total of premiums paid.

Members of partnerships or personal service corporations, or beneficiaries of an estate or trust must report their shares of income distributable to them whether or not actually withdrawn.

Dividends of domestic corporations must be reported. Many other forms of income are taxable, unless specifically exempted.

**INCOME TAX IS DUE MARCH 15**

Penalties for Delay and Failure to Make Returns—Early Compliance Urged.

All income tax returns covering the year 1919 must be filed by Monday, March 15. Each taxable return must be accompanied by check or money order for the full amount or at least one-quarter of the amount of tax due.

Cash payments are accepted only at the collector's main office; if sent by mail, they are at the sender's risk.

Residents of Michigan should send returns and payments to John A. Grogan, Collector of Internal Revenue, Detroit, or E. J. Doyle, Collector of Internal Revenue, Grand Rapids.

Those who must file returns but have not done so are warned that the revenue law imposes heavy penalties for failure to get returns in on time or to make payments on time.

Early filing and early payments are urged in order to relieve the internal revenue offices as much as possible of an overload on the final day, March 15.

**GRAYLING PLEASED BY QUICK RESULTS.**

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**MERCY HOSPITAL NEWS NOTES**

Mother Superior of Grand Rapids was in Grayling visiting the hospital Tuesday.

Guy Peterson, who has been at the hospital with an injured foot for the past three weeks was able to leave Monday.

Mr. Benjamin Hallock returned Tuesday to his home in Gaylord. Mr. Hallock came to the hospital from Gaylord with a fractured hip to receive attention.

Mr. John A. Johnson is improving slowly.

Clayton Sherman, who had his hand injured by the accidental discharge of a .22 rifle had an X-ray taken of the wound and also had the member dressed at the hospital Tuesday.

Thomas Moore of this city is at the hospital for treatment.

Edward Mosher, a young man, who had both feet frozen, while walking from one camp to another is at Mercy hospital. He got lost and was exposed to the cold for a number of hours. It was necessary to amputate the toes of both feet. He is getting along nicely at present.

Mrs. Salome Shepard, who underwent an operation at the hospital recently was dismissed Tuesday and returned to her home in Roscommon.

Mrs. Oliver Cody and baby daughter were dismissed from the hospital Saturday.

Miss Daisy Spooner, who has been ill with pneumonia, left the hospital last Thursday fully recovered.

Stanley Stephan from down the river is at the hospital for treatment.

Elmer Crandall of Lewiston is at the hospital ill with pneumonia, but is getting along nicely.

Earl Klingsmith, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a couple of weeks ago was dismissed Monday.

Miss Helen Flynn of the nursing force, who spent a few days with her parents at Rose City, returned to her duties today.

Funny isn't it, that the man who thinks he is a business man will get up in the morning from an advertised mattress, shave with an advertised razor, take off advertised pajamas and put advertised underwear, advertised hose and shirt, tie, advertised suit, sit himself at the table and eat advertised breakfast food, drink advertised coffee or substitute, put on an advertised hat, light an advertised cigar, go to his place of business, where he turns down the advertising solicitor or salesman for his home newspaper on the grounds that advertising does not pay.—Exchange.

**HELP IS URGED FOR STARVING**

Hoover Says Millions Face Death Unless U. S. Comes to Rescue.

New York—The United States government is urged to permit the sale on credit of 10,000,000 barrels of flour now held by the Grain corporation to feed the millions of starving men, women and children in the cities of Poland, Austria, Hungary, Bohemia and Armenia, in an appeal issued here by the American Relief administration.

Thousands must slowly starve, the appeal added, if America, the Allies and neutrals continue to withhold their surplus food supplies from the famine-stricken countries.

**FOOD PRICES CONTINUE RISE**

Advance of 120 Per Cent Recorded Since 1913.

Washington—The average family expenditure for food increased 2 per cent for the month ending January 15, according to statistics just made public at the labor department. This is an increase of 9 per cent over January, 1919, and 120 over January, 1913. Comparisons of retail prices paid for 44 articles of food, showed that 29 had advanced since December 15 while 11 had decreased and four were unchanged.

**American Wheat Exports Grow.**

Washington—America's part in feeding the war stricken nations of Europe is shown in the reports of the department of commerce which put the total wheat exports from the United States in 1919 at over 86,000,000 bushels more than the 1918 shipments. During the past year the United States exported 148,086,470 bushels of wheat compared with 111,177,103 in 1918, according to the department's figures, representing an increase in value of over \$96,000,000.

**Valuable New Metal.**

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**Here's a grocery problem you've often encountered**

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Does he know—or does he just tell you "the 23 cent article is better."

Our clerks do know—they can tell you the why and wherefore of every product on our shelves and they're glad to do it.

They know groceries.

For instance, there's the question of the merits of various baking powders.

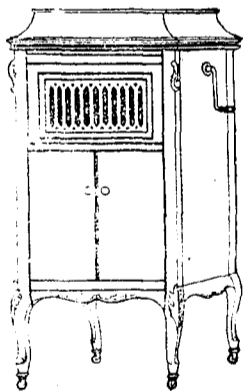
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 Macaroni, per package.....8c  
 Spaghetti, per package.....8c  
 Noodles, per package.....8c  
 60c Morning Cup Coffee.....52c  
 Ivory Soap, per bar.....9c  
 Granulated Sugar, per pound.....14 1/2c  
 24 1/2 lbs. Hoo Hoo Flour.....\$1.73  
 24 1/2 lbs. Rye Flour.....1.27  
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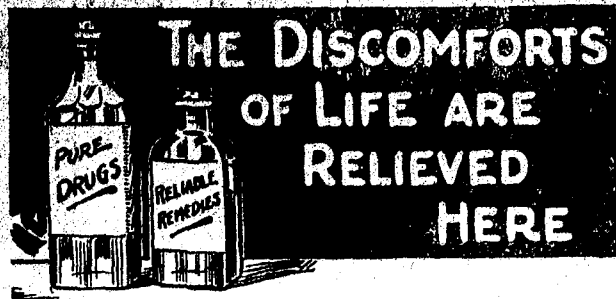
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## LOCAL NEWS

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, MAR. 4.

Six-year-old Melvina Souder, Told to take a sedlitz powder, Poured 'em down in Indian file— Pieces of her went a mile.

A politician stretches the truth like two birds do a worm.

Marius Insley was in Wolverine last Saturday on business.

Your eyes will be more comfortable if you wear Hathaway's glasses.

Mrs. W. J. Teare was in Bay City the latter part of the week on business.

A. L. Foster has resigned his position as clerk at the Salling Hanson Co. store.

Mrs. Charles O'Connor of Howell, Mich., is a guest of her sister Mrs. Frank Anstett.

Mrs. Margaret Simpson has taken the position of relief operator for the local telephone exchange.

Mrs. James Bowen returned Wednesday afternoon from Bay City, after a week in the hospital.

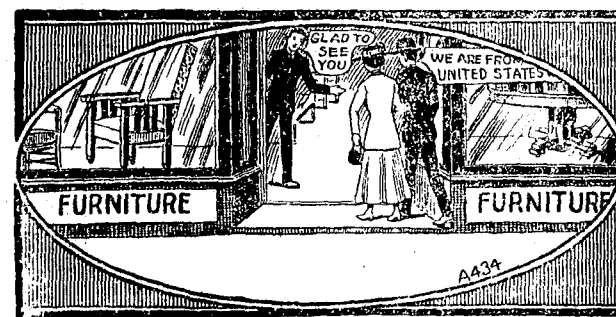
J. C. Foreman of Bay City was in Grayling on business during part of the past week and incidentally calling on old friends.

Mose Blundin returned here the latter part of the week from Bay City after a few weeks' visit with his sister Mrs. John McClellan.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bauman and Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Hanson and children Ella and Margreine expect to leave soon for Florida, to be gone a few weeks.

Mrs. Sidney Defrain, mother of Bert Defrain of this city passed away at her home in Cheboygan, Monday of last week from paralysis. She had been a resident of that place for the past 45 years.

Wanted at once some clean cotton wiping rags. Will pay 5c per pound.

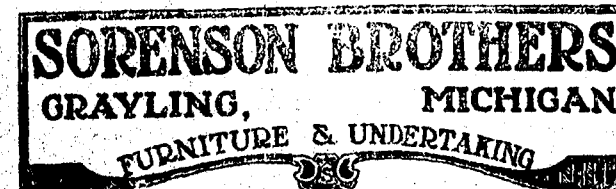


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THE after-inspection purchase is the wisest and the one that will always prove satisfactory.

THERE is more or less of a hazard about any other.



Mrs. Elvira Underhill was a Wolverine caller Saturday.

Ask to see the new line of Cameo goods at Hathaway's.

C. T. Clark came up from Bay City yesterday afternoon on business.

Colburn Charlesfour is the new soda dispenser at the Central Drug Store.

Carl P. Michelson of Mason is in the city on business and also visiting friends.

Don't miss the Junior hop at the school gymnasium St. Patrick's night March 17.

Mrs. Dora Stephans and son Charles, left yesterday for their home in West Branch.

James W. Sorenson was in Traverse City, the fore part of the week on undertaking business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crowley of Cheboygan visited friends here between trains Tuesday.

Fr. Nye returned Tuesday to his home in Mackinac, after a short visit with Father Riess here.

R. D. Keating of Cass City is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Balhoff this week.

A good average man probably leads the most satisfactory life, and attracts the least attention.

Mrs. Charles Schreck and little son LeRoy returned Wednesday from Bay City after a few days' visit.

Next Monday—March 8—is Village election. Everybody vote. It is a duty we owe as good citizens.

Miss Hetty Balhoff is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Balhoff for several weeks.

The habit of politeness may be formed as easily as the habit of rudeness, and is apt to be more helpful.

Mrs. Perry Ostrander of Pere Cheney is seriously ill at the home of her daughter Mrs. Frank Whipple.

Make the Easter season meaningful by attending church each Sunday at the Michelson Memorial Church.

Attend church at the Michelson Memorial church next Sunday. Memorial service in the morning at ten-thirty.

Misses Clara and Emma Weiss of Detroit are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weiss of Riverview.

Mr. and Mrs. Eno Milnes and children came from Lewiston Tuesday evening to visit relatives for a few days.

Next Sunday at the Michelson Memorial Church the Subject at the morning service will be, "The call of immortality."

It may be hard to convince a healthy man that health is more important than wealth, but a sick man understands it.

Miss Helen Reagan left Tuesday for Bay City to enter the Bay City Business college to take a short business course.

Invest your money in our home-cured corned beef and draw interest with every bite. Arnold Burrows Meat Market.

The Delphian Society will meet next Tuesday evening, March 9, at the School house. All members are requested to attend.

If you like a snappy detective story read "The House of Whispers," the first chapters of which appear in this issue of the Avalanche.

Benton Jorgenson was here from Detroit for a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson, the fore part of the week.

Miss Alberta Schriber spent a part of last week in Gaylord visiting her grand-father and friends. She returned home Saturday afternoon.

The Hospital aid will meet Thursday, March 11th, with Mrs. C. R. Keyport. Mrs. C. A. Canfield will assist Mrs. Keyport in entertaining.

Miss Anna Boeson, who has been ill for the past two weeks, and confined to her home, resumed her duties at the Salling Hanson Co. store Monday.

The regular meeting of the Ladies National League will be held Thursday March 4 at G. A. R. hall. Miss Mabelle Ketzbeck is chairman of the refreshment committee.

Mrs. Guy Pringle has been spending several days in Bay City, visiting relatives. Mr. Pringle accompanied his wife Saturday to that place returning Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Roberts returned Wednesday morning from Detroit, after a couple of months' stay. They are at the home of Mrs. Roberts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Trudo.

Mrs. Glen Congdon of Gaylord is a new teacher in the Grayling High school. She commenced her duties yesterday morning. Mrs. Congdon was a former teacher in the Gaylord schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Raue of Palm Beach, Florida. Both Mr. and Mrs. Raue had been suffering from influenza and have taken this trip to speed up their recovery.

Charles Owen is here from Bay City visiting his sister Mrs. Holger Schmidt. He has been in Lovells visiting his father George F. Owen, who had been quite ill but is almost recovered, and able to be around again.

Mrs. Chris Hoelsi, who had been very seriously ill with the influenza and pneumonia, and who has been receiving treatment at Mercy hospital was taken to Ann Arbor Sunday night by her husband to consult a specialist as to her condition.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society will be held at the Michelson Memorial church Friday afternoon, March 5. A good attendance is desired as there is a number of matters of business to be attended to. There will be no pot luck lunch at this time.

Billy Miller, son of Mrs. W. J. Miller, went to West Branch last Thursday and visited his teacher Miss Alice Austin, returning here with her in time for school Monday. Miss Austin had been at her home in West Branch since school closed on account of the influenza epidemic.

Ed. Gibbon was in Standish last Friday going to attend the funeral of his brother's wife, Mrs. Burt Gibbon. Mrs. Harding and son Guy of Lewiston mother and brother of the deceased were in attendance also, stopping at the Gibbon home here while enroute both ways.

Come in and hear the new March Pathe records put out.

Max Landsberg.

H. A. Bauman left for Detroit this afternoon.

About the finest person in the world is any nice old lady.

Miss Anna Peterson is a new operator at the local Telephone exchange.

Some men get all their mail at the office because there is a censor at home.

L. J. Kraus and Fred R. Welsh left this afternoon on a business trip to Owosso.

Now is the time and this is the place, where you can get fresh ground bone for the chickens. Arnold Burrows Meat Market.

Lacking the artistic temperament, we can't say for sure, but it always seemed to us that an artist's model would interfere with an artist's work a good deal.

Are you going to give anything for the Near East relief? If so send your checks to this office and they will be duly cared for. Nobody is going to solicit money from you for this fund but your donation will be very welcome. Only one person so far has contributed. We need \$50.00 more to fill our quota.

A quantity of vegetable seeds—peas, beets, carrots, lettuce and onions have been received from the government thru the courtesy of Congressman Currie, and are for distribution among the farmers and others having gardens. They are yours for the asking, while they last, at the Avalanche office. Come in and get some.

Mrs. Keldsen, of Drs. Keldsen & Keldsen chiropractors of Cheboygan is in the city a guest at the home of Miss Carrie Jorgenson. Mrs. Keldsen is the mother of the two young men, who were drowned, while crossing on the ice of the Straits of Mackinaw, at Christmas time. Neither bodies of the young men have been recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Game, as a farewell to the latter's sister and her husband Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Corner, entertained a number of friends at their home Monday evening. It was an agreeable surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Corner, who had not expected anything of this nature. A very enjoyable evening was spent and fine refreshments served.

School reopened Monday last after being closed three weeks on account of the flu. The day before, Sunday, the church and Sunday school bells rang again and many got out to church. People hardly realize what these institutions mean to them until they have been deprived for a time. A community without churches and schools is indeed dead.

A Catholic Literature drive is being conducted at St. Mary's church this week, beginning with last Sunday morning and closing next Sunday evening. During this time members of the church are asked to donate a sum of money to pay for subscriptions to the Sunday visitor and the Vigil, two very nice periodicals. Each family of the parish is to receive these publications, whether they contribute towards the fund or not.

The snow is going fast but there are still many huge mountains of it in the streets and yards about town. The farmers complain of the worst roads of the season. The snow is packed in a ridge in the middle of the highway, sloping to the sides making it hard for the horses to travel without slipping and difficult for teams to pass each other as the snow beside the traveled track is soft and deep.

March brings on thots of spring and already base ball fans are sharpening their spirits in hopes for a winning team this season. And it looks as if our town would not be disappointed. Roger Hanson has consented to manage the team and this is a big start. There are a number of good players here and there are prospects for one or two added ones. We will give a list of the prospective players in a later edition.

Thomas Corner, who has been the obliging meat cutter at the Cameron Game market has purchased a market in Wolverine from A. Welcomb and next week will move his family there and conduct same. He sold his home, formerly the Bert Ashenfelter property to Tony Nelson last week. The Corner family have only resided in Grayling a brief time coming from Marion, Mich., and the friends they have made while here will wish them success in their new home. Mrs. Corner is a sister of Mrs. Game.

The Junior hop of the Grayling high school will be held St. Patrick's day—Wednesday, March 17. This was postponed from last month because of the quarantine for influenza. This event is always one of the pleasant social affairs of the year in Grayling and is an event in the lives of the members of the Junior class. These young people want you to be present. Colley's saxophone orchestra will furnish the music and is an assurance that this feature will be first class. You will be made welcome and be assured of a good time.

Peter Burg of Grand Rapids, was in the city last week and while here completed arrangements to take the management of the Railway Men's Union Co-operative association store that is to be opened here soon. The Association has purchased the Larson building on the corner of Cedar and Ottawa streets and will have same re-modeled for their purpose. Mr. Burg is now a salesman for the Scott Milling company. During the lumbering days at Doward near Frederic, he was manager of the general store at that place. He expects to come to Grayling March 10th to begin active service.

Chris Johnson of Fond du lac, Wisconsin, and Carl G. Johnson of Detroit arrived last week, being called here by the illness of their father, John A. Johnson. At this time Mr. Johnson is improving and able to sit up in bed. His sons have finally persuaded their father to dispose of his interests in Grayling and go away with them, to make his home. The boys are attending to business which he will do as soon as he is able. Mrs. Carl Johnson arrived from Detroit last week with her husband. Old friends of the family will regret having them sever their relations with Grayling, but trust they will come back to the old home town now and then.

Place your orders for early spring decorating and painting. Mitchell & Jorgenson. Phone 12.

## Exceptional Display of the NEW SPRING SUITS and Coats



### NEW SUITS for Easter

Serges, Jerseys, Tricoteries.  
You must see them to appreciate the values—

**\$37.70 and UP**

Early Spring Hats in  
Charming Styles—

**\$3.50 to \$8.50**

Exceptional Values

### A Great Showing of remarkable values in our Sport Coats

The latest Material and colors—and the latest styles are on display.

Special Display of the  
New Spring Skirts—

Serges, Tricoteries, Jerseys Smart Plaids—

**\$7.50 to \$18.00**



### The Women's Low Shoes are On Display

Pumps in Black Kid and Patent. The new 1-Eye-let Pump. Lace Oxfords in Black and Brown. All Moderately priced. All sizes and narrow widths.

## Grayling Mercantile Co.

Phone 1251

The Quality Store

### SOUTH SIDE NEWS.

Mrs. Saven of Twining is visiting at the home of Mrs. John Billings. Frank Cochran, who is employed in Saginaw is here on business for a few days.

Mrs. Harley Eddy is enjoying a visit from her father Mr. Masters of Lovells.

The little triplets of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rood, who were all ill with the influenza, are well again.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anthony Saturday, February 21, a son. Mrs. Anthony was formerly Miss Ida Klein.

Mrs. Elsie Atherton, who has been caring for her mother who was ill at St. Helen, returned home today. While away she also spent some time in Saginaw.

Mrs. Peter Foy of Isabella, Mich., and Mrs. Fred Couillard of Escanaba, Mich., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Joseph Mayo and their brothers David and Louis LaMotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Ingram arrived home Monday from Rose City, where they had been to attend the funeral of his mother, who died at her son's home here in this city and was taken to Rose City for burial.

Mr. Ingram was taken ill with the influenza while there and was obliged to remain until he had recovered.

Constantly fighting for your rights is apt to cut into the time one might devote to enjoying such privileges as he already has.

## Like Good Things To Eat?

Then trade here.  
You'll find Staple groceries of the time-tried, superb-quality kind, always in stock.

### "Quality First"

Our aim is "Quality First."  
We have just what you need in high grade groceries.

## Nick Schjotz

The Pure Food Store.

Thank You.

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PROMPT  
DELIVERY

We deliver your order to any part of the city, no order too small; no order too large, to receive our most prompt and careful attention. We also claim we sell our canned goods, fancy and staple Groceries as cheap as the cheapest and some times cheaper. The long list of satisfied customers we cater to is honest proof of the saving made in buying Groceries at the Richelieu Store. A trial will convince you.

### SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

Peaches	Michigan pack in heavy syrup	2 cans	69c
Tomatoes	Richelieu Brand, Hand packed, 6 for		\$1.49
MILK	VAN CAMP'S Tall Can	5 for	79c
Tomatoes	Choice pack Large Cans	6 cans	98c
CRISCO	For Frying and Cake-making		35c
PYETA	Lemon Pie Filling	Pkg.	22c
FLOUR	Richelieu, Nothing Better at		\$1.98
Model Bread	Baked in Grayling, Fresh every hour, loaf		12½c
Peas, Corn, Wax Beans	Plymouth Rock Brand good choice grade	6 cans	95c
SOAP	Kirk's Flake White Soap, 10 bars	10 bars	69c
San Marto Coffee		3 lbs.	\$1.19
Marigold Oleo		1 lb.	39c
Sour Pickles	Large size	Doz.	29c
Honey	Pure Extracted in 5 lb pails	5 lbs.	\$1.25
Sugar	all you want, lb.		16c

THE Richelieu STORE

## EAT LESS AND TAKE SALTS FOR KIDNEYS

Take a Glass of Salts If Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

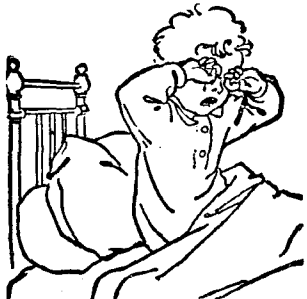
When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water beverage, and belongs in every home, because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time.—Adv.

Those who reform from necessity usually stay reformed just so long as the necessity exists.

## "CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP" IS CHILD'S LAXATIVE

Look at tongue! Remove poisons from stomach, liver and bowels.



Accept "California" Syrup of Figs only—look for the name California on the package, then you are sure your child is having the best and most harmless laxative or physic for the little stomach, liver and bowels. Children love its delicious fruity taste. Full directions for child's dose on each bottle. Give it without fear.

Mother! You must say "California."—Adv.

The man who makes the biggest success is the man who knows how to go along with other people.

## PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How to Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more dullness, headache; no hawking, snuffing, mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

Tell your druggist you want a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, and relief comes instantly.

It is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer needs. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable.—Adv.

It isn't what a man is going to do that adds to his bank balance.

## YOUR COLD IS EASED AFTER THE FIRST DOSE

"Pape's Cold Compound" then breaks up a cold in a few hours.

Relief comes instantly. A dose taken every two hours until three doses are taken usually breaks up a severe cold and ends all the gripe misery.

The very first dose opens your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages in the head, stops nose running, relieves the headache, dullness, feverishness, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and sniffing! Clear your congested head! Nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs only a few cents at any drug store. It acts without assistance, tastes nice, contains no quinine—insist upon Pape's!—Adv.

Love is an expert magician, but it can't transform nickels into dollars.

## SHE THOUGHT DYING WAS OLD FASHIONED

But "Diamond Dyes" Made Her Faded, Shabby, Old Garments Like New.

Don't worry about perfect results. Use "Diamond Dyes" guaranteed to give a new, rich, fadeless color to any fabric, whether it be wool, silk, linen, cotton or mixed goods—dresses, blouses, stockings, skirts, children's coats, feathers—everything!

Direction Book in package tells how to diamond dye over any color. Try match any material have dealer show you "Diamond Dye" Color Card.—Adv.

A lot of successful men don't go with the majority.

## WEST FLANDERS

BY KATHARINE EGGLESTON ROBERTS

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There's a wide bare field where ghostly trees  
Plead for the mercy of Heaven.  
They lift their broken arms and sigh  
Against the pitiless, cold, gray sky,  
But their prayers are hushed in the cloudy seas,  
And the crows are flying over.

In the desolate waste, the shell-pits gap;  
Their wounded lips bleed poppies.  
They are rimmed with rusted guns and swords,  
With bits of cloth and broken boards,  
And their waters mirror the broad wing-flap  
Of the crows that are flying over.

O'er the battle plain, there's a fierce race  
Of the death birds seeking booty.  
Together they rush and dip and dart.  
In the midst of the bleak field's aching heart,  
There's a lonely cross that marks the place  
The black crows are swooping over.

## Belgium Sketches

### The Voice of the Chimes

By Katharine Eggleston Roberts

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In a little town in the plain of Brabant, the summer twilight filled the winding streets with shadows. Over the cobblestones, bright-cheeked girls in wooden shoes, blue dresses, and red kerchiefs trundled their two-wheeled carts of flowers. The scented breeze was cool. Here and there lights began to gleam behind the windows of the narrow, pink-roofed houses. The tower of the cathedral rose against the sunset sky like a misty dream and yet a dream immovable. Its sculptured saints smiled on the peaceful land. All was quiet in the happy silence that ends a day well lived.

Then with the stealth of fairies the tiny notes played in the air. Softly at first, the magic music descended

til, swelling like bubbles of light, it burst in a silvery shower. Every-where green shutters opened to let in the winged notes. Pedestrians paused, then hastened their steps toward the foot of the church, there to receive the sweetest benediction of the chimes. Slowly the music faded, melted into the shadows and the perfume of the night.

The million stars, wakening from their daytime sleep, blinked till their eyes were bright, returning the twinkle of the lights within the windows. Now and then they peeked into

the houses. They saw a family grouped about the supper table. The father, whose bulging vest made him sit very straight and rather pompously, gazed with satisfaction at his family about the loaded cloth. The mother, a woman of complacent curves, smiled benignly at her well-scrubbed children and her contented husband.

In another part of town, a humbler part, a small square window framed another picture—a brown-walled kitchen where the copper gleamed in the rays from a lamp on the red-checked table. The old man and the old woman nodded in their chairs. His stockinged feet were stretched upon a foot-stool and their wooden shoes rested beside him on the floor. As her fingers loosened from the knitting needles, the half-made sock slid gently from her lap. The stars chuckled and skipped to get out of the way of the new moon who came to watch the last part of the drama in the village. And when she saw a girl, who, wide awake, dreamed of a sweetheart in a neighboring town, the moon of romance took her message to the youth. Then from the cathedral tower, the midnight melody of the carillon put the girl to sleep.

But that was long ago before the German guns roared out of the north—strong voices that chanted a fierce harmony of misery and ruin—evil voices that sent a tempest of terror into the calm minds of the people and bade them sob their everlasting farewells.

Now in the plain of Brabant lies the village, mangled and charred. Its narrow streets find their tortuous way among the crumbling walls and summer twilight lays a gray pall over the broken homes. The flowers that gave their sweetness are faded and the tongues of their vendors are dumb. Sadly the stars gaze through the night mist, tear-dimmed eyes that search the blind windows in vain.

The people they knew laugh no more, for their dreams, their loves, and their lives are withered. The waning moon seeks the tower and finds but a shattered wreck, voiceless to utter the dirge that stirs deep in its heart. Still some of the stone saints smile, but the twist of their lips is ironic. The bells that had sung through the years, that had blessed the joy of the people, cried their last note in pain as they crashed to the foot of the bell-fry.

And the ruined village is mute; its tragic doom goes unheeded for the voice of the chimes is dead.

Belgian Refugees Home. Of some 250,000 Belgian refugees who fled to England during the war the ministry of health estimates that there are less than 20,000 there today, the rest having returned to their own land or France. To care for Belgian refugees has cost England by private means and government support \$3,500,000.

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## DAIRY FACTS

### COW-TESTING IS PROFITABLE

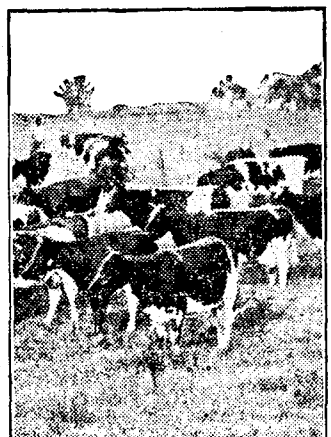
Best Scientific Agency for Isolating and Eradicating Drones From Dairy Herd.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Practical reports from the various cow-testing associations throughout the country show the value of this work of separating the chaff from the wheat in cowdom. The modern cow-testing association is the best scientific agency for isolating and eradicating the drones from the herd, while it also is of value as a detector of the highest producing animals. Such studies of the cow's appetite, digestion and production are the economical and logical methods of increasing the net earnings of the dairy.

One Ohio cow-testing association, whose members owned 385 cows last year, reports an association average of 345 pounds of butterfat per cow, and that the present production of the cows is 72 pounds of fat more apiece than it was at the first of the year.

Another cow-testing association announces that its expenses during the last five years have been below \$4,000 while the value of the increased production during only the last year has aggregated over \$11,000. This remarkable increase in income is not abnormal for this particular association as during each year the production of the cows has improved and the returns greatly increased. Members from another association report that all other cow owners are feeding the individual animals according to the capacity and production of each cow. This is a re-



Cow-Testing Associations Improve Production and Increase Returns From Dairy.

markable change from conditions a few years back when the cows' feed boxes at mealtime always contained the same allowance of feed.

"There is certainly all the difference in the world between bulls," comments a member of a successful bull club. "Do you recollect that old 'Bonnie' cow of mine whose record was only 537 pounds of fat? I have raised three heifers from her, the best of which produced 715 pounds of fat during the last year, while the other two heifers, which are younger, yielded respectively, 363 and 361 pounds of fat. These heifers were sired by different pure-bred bulls and evidently the difference in the qualifications of the sires as regards fat production is aptly characterized in the production of their daughters."

### RETAIN ALL DAIRY ANIMALS

More People Than Ever In Country to Feed and Milk Will Be Used if Price Is Fair.

There are more people to feed than ever in this country and if prices can be brought to a point where they can afford to buy they will buy and use a great deal more milk than they did. As for selling of dairy cows, think how disastrous it would be. Many do not even now get as much milk as they would like, and thousands and thousands of pounds of butter substitutes are used every year.

### HERD BULL REQUIRES GRAIN

Good Ration Is Composed of Oats Barley or Speltz, Bran, Oilmeal and Wild Hay.

A herd bull in heavy service should be fed grain. A ration composed of 6 parts oats, 2 parts of barley or speltz, 2 parts of bran, 1 part of oilmeal, together with good upland wild hay makes a good ration.

### HAVE COWS FRESHEN IN FALL

Practice of Many Good Dairymen So That Profitable Work Is Furnished Farm Hands.

Many dairymen have cows freshen in the fall, so that profitable work is furnished the farm hands in the winter when work is sometimes slack on an average farm.

Bedding Is Essential. Bedding is very essential to keeping the dairy cow comfortable and clean. Save every bit of your straw and see that it gets back to the field after the cows are through with it.

Avoid All Sorb Sires. Don't breed to a grade sire of any kind. Life is too short to spend time doing things that do not pay.

Worst Enemy of Good Cow. A poor milker in the barn is the worst enemy of the good cow.

## Gossip About Spring Coats



A BOUT now, heavy winter coats are raw. They are arranged to button up when needed and they may be thrown open when the day is kind.

Belts do not appear to play a conspicuous part in the models so far introduced. When they are present they are narrow and usually extend only part way around the figure, leaving the back of the garment beltless. In some cases pockets are conspicuous by their absence, in others they are a feature of the design, as in the coat pictured. This model, of taupe velour, deserves the consideration of slender women particularly, with its widened hip lines and full skirt. It is very comfortable looking with ample collar and cuffs quite equal to withstanding the raw winds of blustering March. Such a coat proves useful for spring, summer, and fall, that is whenever one may encounter cool weather or wind, a bit of protection for the throat when winds are raw. They are arranged to button up when needed and they may be thrown open when the day is kind.

## Stars in the Drama of Blouses



There is such an mingling variety in blouses and smocks in all the displays of spring merchandise, that it is difficult to make a choice with the certainty that it is a wise one. It takes repeated visits to the shops and a consideration of the constantly arriving new models, to determine what styles are favored and what features persist. Fashion reporters learn from experience that they are expected to detect the successful models and styles features and it is not hard to do this.

In the two new blouses shown in the picture above, two of the outstanding and successful features of the new styles are emphasized. No woman need hesitate to follow their suggestions in making her selections for spring. One blouse of georgette, in two colors, reveals the liking for color combinations and fanciful effects. The other, of fine white voile, with fine lace and needlework as adornment, portrays a different character of blouse, but one that promises to lead all others as the favorite of gentlewomen.

The blouse of white voile is hand made and the lace used on it is an elegant example of fine work. It is at once simply and cunningly designed—

### Fruits for Spring Hats.

New lines of artificial flowers and fruits prepared for spring millinery are receiving favorable comment from buyers. Predictions are freely made in the trade that such goods will have a prosperous season commencing with the Easter lines. While imported goods are up to the usual high standard, the domestic made varieties are said to be of a considerably better character than in previous seasons.

### Pretty Cretonne Slippers.

For cretonne slippers, though, a novelty several years ago, are quite popular. They are made of a broad trimming around the top or make the slippers out of white linen and apply cut flower designs to the upper part. They are said to be of a considerably better character than in previous seasons.

## END OF EIGHT YEARS MISERY

Used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Recovered.

Newark, N. J.—"The doctor said I had an organic trouble and treated me for several weeks.

At times I could not walk at all and I suffered with my back and limbs so I often had to stay in bed. I suffered off and on for eight years. Finally I heard that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was a good medicine and tried it with splendid effect. I can now do my housework and my washing. I have recommended your Vegetable Compound and your Blood Medicine and three of my friends are taking them to advantage. You can use my name for a testimonial."

—Mrs. THERESA COVENTRY, 76 Burnett St., Newark, N. J.

You are invited to write for free advice. No other medicine has been so successful in relieving women's suffering as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Women may receive free and helpful advice by writing the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. Such letters are received and answered by women only and held in strict confidence.

When you are "wide awake as an owl" at night, and can't "keep your eyes open" in the daytime you certainly need

**BEECHAM'S PILLS**  
Self-poisoning by imperfectly eliminated food-poisons is a very common ailment.  
Beecham's Pills correct it.  
Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World.  
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## JUST WHAT YOU NEED

DR. CARTER'S K. & B. TEA

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Take it till your bowels are in perfect condition, till your eyes sparkle with health and your skin grows clear and healthy. At the same time don't forget that there is nothing you can give the cross, fretful child that will do it more good.

## Cuticura Soap The Velvet Touch For the Skin

Soap 25c, Ointment 25c and 50c, Talcum 25c.

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SINCE 1870  
30 DROPS STOPS COUGHS  
Iguarance is the stepmother of envy.

### RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 1/2 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can supply the Bay Rum or you can mix it at home at very little cost. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

One should learn to talk well—also when it is well not to talk.

## CAME NEAR DYING

Finally Used Doan's and Was Restored to Health. Has Been Strong and Well Since.

"Malaria fever weakened my kidneys when I was a young man," says I. W. Garrison, 23 F St., Anderson, S. C. "Finally, ten years ago, I was in such bad shape that I expected to die. Medicine wouldn't help me any more. My back pained as if it were pierced with a nail. Many times I have fallen in the street and didn't have any strength to move until the ailment was cured. My misery was eased up. I couldn't sleep in bed for two years. The kidney secretions passed every few minutes and scalding hot water couldn't relieve me. I have burned away worse. I thought I was doomed to die, but a friend pleaded with me to try Doan's Kidney Pills and I owe my life to his visit. Doan's helped me from the start and eleven boxes made a permanent cure which has lasted eight years. I have not had one sick minute since, nor missed a day from work. So again I beg to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills."

H. S. Shumate, Notary Public.

Get Doan's at Any Store, 60c a Box  
**DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS**  
FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

**FRECKLES**  
Positively Removed by Dr. O. O. Smith's Freckle Remover. 10c. per bottle. Sold everywhere.

Plant Weller's Preferred Quality Stock. Send for prices today. Weller's Nurseries, Holland, Mich. Growers Quality Nursery Stock.

## Bronchial Troubles

Soothe the irritation and you relieve the distress. Do this quickly and effectively by using promptly a dependable remedy—

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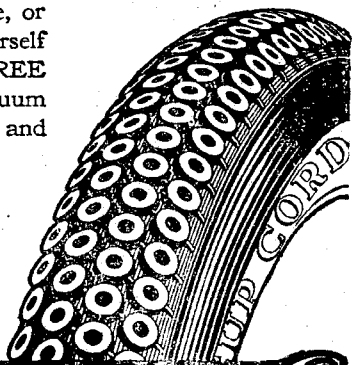
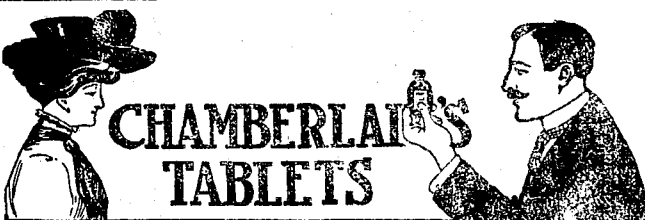
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For a LIMITED time, with each Vacuum Cup Tire purchased at our store, we will give one "Ton Tested" Tube of corresponding size—an indispensable combination for the motorist who demands absolutely highest quality.

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**GEO. BURKE****CHAMBERLAIN'S  
TABLETS**

THIS is just what you need, madam. Many women who were troubled with indigestion, a sallow, muddy skin, indicating biliousness and habitual constipation, have been permanently cured by the use of Chamberlain's Tablets. Before using these tablets they felt miserable and despondent. Now they are cheerful and happy and relish their meals. Try them. They only cost a quarter.

**Chamberlain's Tablets**

GET some today! You're going to call Lucky Strikes just right. Because Lucky Strike cigarettes give you the good, wholesome flavor of toasted Burley tobacco.

Guaranteed by  
The American Tobacco Co.

**It's toasted****TRAINING THE  
LITTLE CHILDREN****THE CHILD'S RIGHT TO HAPPINESS.**

(By Supt. Nathan G. Schaeffer.)  
A man in middle life once wrote to his parents, "I shall never cease to be thankful for the happy boyhood which my father and mother gave me. It is a treasure house of memories more valuable than gold and silver."  
Fathers sometimes forget that children have the right to be happy at home as well as at school. Let fathers become the friends and companions of their children, share in the Sunday walks and talks, evening games and stories, help with studies or take an interest in inspecting some achievement. The right relationship between father and child will increase when mothers cease to resort to the father's discipline and punishment as a threat for disobedience. Any man prefers to work and sacrifice for an affectionate, confiding child than for one who has been led to consider him a harsh judge and strict disciplinarian.

Almost anything which a child can claim as his very own, can protect and care for will serve to develop his affections, and increase his sense of responsibility and self-respect. A dog, a cat, rabbits, guinea pigs, pets of any kind are a source of joy to any child, for it takes very little to make healthy children happy. Playmates are helpful in adding joy to the child's life, and an only child should frequently have playmates. Little friends should be invited to the home, and the children encouraged to share his toys with them. Every child, too, should have the opportunity to go to the social kindergarten, for in its democratic atmosphere, little people of all types come together. The over-indulged, the neglected, the shy and the backward all meet on common ground and learn adaptability and self-control in their happy activities.

There is nothing which a boy despises more than idleness and inactivity. On the other hand, toil and fatigue, day after day stunt growth and take the joy out of life. A certain farmer once complained that the school enticed all his children away from the old farm. Upon inquiry, it was found that he assigned useless tasks on rainy days to keep them busy and that they never had any time for play or recreation. The leisure and the companionship of the school were the only relief from drudgery which those children ever knew, and only through compulsory attendance laws was that relief insured them. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." On the other hand all play and no work is the curse of the rich man's son.

Every child finds satisfaction in work for which he receives pay. So-called projects from which he derives an income and for which he is responsible, give him a taste for work and develop an appreciation for the value of money. "I'll pay you back when we get home," whispered a self-respecting son of nine as he watched his father pay the family carfare one Sunday morning. A smile crept over the kindly face of the father as he replied, "No indeed, Sonny."

Both city and country children have opportunities to earn money. Tho a farm may be the graveyard of talent, it is the best place to spend one's childhood if life there is coupled with good school advantages.

Children's Matinees, given at the Plaza Hotel in New York City under the direction of the National Kindergarten Association and with the assistance of the National Motion Picture League, are demonstrating the power of the Screen to entertain wholesomely.

The League, at 381 Fourth Ave., New York City, is publishing these programs of carefully chosen pictures in its weekly bulletins of endorsed films. Send for samples.

**SUPERVISOR PROCEEDINGS.**

At a special session of the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County, commenced and held at the Court House in the village of Grayling, on Tuesday the 17th day of February A. D. 1920, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Present: Chalker, Bates, Craven, Scott, Kile.  
Absent: Kellogg.

Call read by the clerk as follows: To the Supervisors of Crawford County, Mich.

Gentlemen: Notice is herewith given that a special session of the Board of Supervisors of the county of Crawford is called to be held at the Court House in the village of Grayling, on Tuesday the 17th day of February A. D. 1920 at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Said meeting is called for the purpose of providing and making arrangements, such as may be required in respect thereof, relative to caring for indigent persons and such others as may be in need of assistance while ill or under the restrictions of quarantine from influenza and other contagious diseases prevailing throughout the county.

Yours Respectfully,  
Frank Sales, County Clerk.

Moved by Bates, supported by Scott that the purpose for which this session is called, be made a special order of business for tomorrow morning, and that the village Council of the village of Grayling and the representatives of the County Red Cross chapter be requested to attend this meeting in joint session with the Board of Supervisors.

Motion carried.  
Moved by Scott, supported by Craven that the Board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk. Wm. S. Chalker, Chairman.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Present: Bates, Chalker, Craven, Scott, Kile.

Absent: Kellogg.

Minutes read and approved.

Members of the Village Council and the County Red Cross chapter being present, the Board and said representative committees resolved to a joint session for discussion of proposed methods to be employed in discharging the duties of each respective organization in respect of the prevailing epidemic, to the best interest of all concerned.

At 12:00 o'clock on motion, duly seconded the meeting was dissolved and declared adjourned.

The Board of Supervisors resumed their session.

Moved by Scott, supported by Kile that the recess be taken until two o'clock this afternoon.

Motion carried.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Meeting called to order by the chairman.

Resolution by Mr. Scott.

Resolved—that whereas, after full consideration of the situation existing relative to the prevailing epidemic of influenza and other contagious diseases throughout the county and after having carefully inquired into the seriousness of the extent of the same, and having been so apprized of the conditions incidental thereto, by the Village Council (ex-officio Board of Health,) and the County Red Cross chapter of said county.

Therefore, be it resolved, that there being no indigent cases coming to the attention of this Board at this time, and further that payment of all accounts payable from putative funds have been properly and satisfactorily directed through the proper channels for such consideration and action as may be required, as directed and authorized in the provisions of the general health laws of this state.

Therefore be it resolved, that in consideration of the foregoing premises that this Board defer taking any action further than is required under the provisions and directions of the general health laws of the state.

Moved by Scott, supported by Bates that the foregoing resolution be accepted and adopted.

Motion carried.  
Moved by Scott, supported by Bates that the Board adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk. Wm. S. Chalker, Chairman.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Minutes read approved.

Present: Chalker, Bates, Craven, Kile, Scott.

Absent: Kellogg.

Moved by Craven, supported by Bates that the bills of the several supervisors be allowed as charged and the clerk be and is herewith authorized to draw orders for the same.

Yea and nay vote called.

All members voting yea. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates, supported by Craven that the Board adjourn without date.

Motion carried.

Frank Sales, Clerk. Wm. S. Chalker, Chairman.

**RENEWED TESTIMONY.**

No one in Grayling who suffers backache, headaches, or distressing urinary ills can afford to ignore this West Branch woman's twice-told story. It is confirmed testimony that no resident of this locality doubt.

Mrs. J. D. Wilcox, Seventh St., West Branch, Mich., says: "I suffered greatly from backache and severe pains through my kidneys. I could hardly get around to do my housework, as it hurt me to stoop or lift. I tried many medicines without getting any relief until I took Doan's Kidney Pills. They helped me wonderfully. After I used them, my backache stopped, I could sleep much better and was benefited in every way. Others of my family have also used Doan's Kidney pills with the best of results."

Over three years later, Mrs. Wilcox said: "I can always recommend Doan's Kidney pills as a kidney medicine that will give quick and lasting results. Doan's have proven a miracle and a God send to our family."

Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Wilcox had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y. Adv.

**FARM WANTED!**

Wanted to hear from owner of farm or good land for sale. Send price and description. Write, Leslie Jones, Box 8, Obey, Ill.

**THE LITTLE BLUE SQUAD.**

What noise is that far up the street?  
What halting tread of limping feet?  
Who are those old gray heads in blue  
So slowly coming into view?  
I saw a star-lit flag overhead;  
I heard a sob and I heard a sigh;  
I heard a tremulous voice which said:  
"The little blue squad is marching by."

The looks are those of the soldier's face,  
Though a crutch is held in the musket's place.  
A bit of bronze on the breast is pinned,  
And the wavering ranks are scarred and thinned.

But I see thru the mist of years that I speed,  
I see by the flash in the veteran's eye  
A Nation saved by a soldier's deed.  
When the little blue squad is marching by.

With blossoms red and white and blue,  
As thick as ever the bullets flew,  
The children cherish the old flag now  
And place love's wreath on the soldier's brow.

A grateful people kiss the scars  
Of the men who fought and dared to die,  
And they dip the flag that is full of stars  
When the little blue squad goes marching by.

The little blue squad is marching by.  
Ah, men must live, but men must die!  
God grant that their mantles on us may fall  
As they answer, "Here!" to the last roll call!

Oh, long be the love-lit path that they tread  
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Them

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**HOPS**

Pork, veal, lamb or mutton chops—which ever your taste dictates—from special cuts at special prices.

Come in early and get the choice cuts. When you see the quality of these meats you will want to buy several days' supply.

Steaks and roasts, too, for those who prefer them.

Prices and Meat That Meet Your Favor

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**GUESS WHAT IS THE POPULATION OF GRAYLING AND CRAWFORD COUNTY.**

The Avalanche hereby offers prizes for the nearest, second nearest and third nearest guesses as to the number of the population in Grayling Village.

Nearest correct number—\$2.00 in Cash.  
2nd nearest correct number—Year subscription to the Avalanche.  
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Population of Crawford County.  
The same offer as outlined above for the Village of Grayling is hereby offered for guesses on the population of Crawford county.

There will be no need to ask the census enumerators about the figures for they are sworn to secrecy and cannot give out any information.

Fill Out the Blank.  
Fill out the following blank and return same to the Avalanche where it will be filed away until such time that the government gives out the official figures. Have all replies in by March 15th.

Date.....1920  
Crawford Avalanche,  
Grayling, Mich.

My estimates of the 1920 population of the Village of Grayling and County of Crawford to be given out the Federal Census bureau are as follows:

Village of Grayling.....  
County of Crawford.....  
Signed.....  
Address.....

THE BEST LAXATIVE.  
"My sedentary habits have necessitated the use of an occasional laxative. I have tried many but found nothing better than Chamberlain's Tablets," writes George F. Daniels, Hardwick, Vt. Mr. Daniels is proprietor of the Hardwick Inn, one of the model hotels of New England.

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Better Than Pills  
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LAXATIVE  
Get a 25¢ Box

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